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FROM: SA [redacted] (424)  
SUBJECT: CLUB #1  
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Westside CP, 11/20/61.  
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- 1- New York (100-57965) [redacted] (424)
- 1- New York (100-114924) [redacted] (424)
- 1- New York (100-143645) [redacted] (424)
- 1- New York (100-113830) [redacted] (424)
- 1- New York (100-102320) (CP, USA vs. SACB) (415)
- 1- New York (100-144078) (WSCFRC) (41)
- 1- New York (100-26603-C42) (NY COUNTY CP) (421)
- 1- New York (100-26603-C1920) (WESTSIDE CP SECTION) (424)
- 1- New York (100-129629) (WM. ALBERTSON) (414)
- 1- New York (100-128823) (DOMESTIC ADM. MATTERS) (414)
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There was a meeting of the West Side Club #1 CP  
at the home of [redacted]

Those observed present were [redacted]

[redacted] Before the  
meeting [redacted] was overheard saying that he had found a  
job in the construction business. Due to the present situation  
caused by the Mc Carran Act the group was further reduced. The  
group will consist of only those working in the West Side  
Committee for Friendly Relations with Cuba. The meeting  
started at 8:30 P.M.

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[redacted] gave the main report on the last meeting  
of the NY County Council. There will be no further meetings  
of the Council. In the future just the captains of each group  
will meet. [redacted] said that BILL ALBERTSON was attached to  
the NY State Committee on a full time basis. She said that  
there were two tendencies, one that fascism was here and the  
party should go underground, the second that the entire crises  
would soon blow over; there were laws before and the entire  
situation would soon righten itself, meanwhile the party should  
lay low. Both tendencies are incorrect. There is no fascism  
and the situation will not blow over. The party must continue  
to fight and continue its activities.

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She restated that all comrades should be careful  
using the telephone for fear of taps. That no one should  
talk to the FBI. They should not be allowed in the house  
unless they have a warrant. She stated there were many  
healthy signs. Some religious bodies had already condemned the  
Birch group. She stated that KENNEDY was moved by pressures,  
although the tendency is more to the right. She stated that  
the CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT had been dropped for fear of exposing FBI  
spies but he could be brought up on other charges. She distributed  
a leaflet by the Citizens Committee for Civil Liberties which  
tells what to do in case the FBI calls or one is issued a warrant.

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[redacted] said that one JOHN LAUTNER was observed working the West Side. She identified him as a spy who formerly was a prominent communist. [redacted] related a similar experience in which he claimed he was followed by the same man. [redacted] stated at the last West Side for Peace meeting Saturday Nov. 18, [redacted] spoke again and that five hundred signatures were collected.

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[redacted] is leading a class to a group of Spanish speaking people who meet Friday at the home of [redacted]. He invited [redacted] to attend. [redacted] also urged her to attend. Then the work of the Cuban Committee. A mimeograph machine has been secured by [redacted] volunteered to keep it in his home. [redacted] had been overheard to claim his home was searched by the FBI. [redacted] said that it was not the way the FBI operates and he must be mistaken. It was felt it would be alright for [redacted] to have the machine.

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There was some doubt about the next meeting of the Cuban Committee as [redacted] said the fee for the hall was to be \$15 and the man asked \$50. [redacted] said she would contact the man again. She said she will have the invitation mimeographed by [redacted].

[redacted] said she had secured a place for the committee's party. Details will be taken up at a future meeting. [redacted] was unable to attend the meeting as she was making the stencil for the News Letter. A leaflet issued by the Civil Liberties Committee for mass distribution was severely criticized by [redacted] as ineffective and provocative. She said that 4 out of 6 groups of the CP refused to distribute it. [redacted] said that she will take it up [redacted] of the Civil Liberties Committee.

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The next meeting which take up a report on [redacted] report which will be held Tuesday Dec. 5 at the home of [redacted]. The new situation calls for revolving the night of the meeting and not having

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them on the same day of the week. The meeting ended at 11:00 P.M. [redacted] discussed very briefly as the people were about to leave the recent call by one [redacted] which appeared in the National Guardian and called it attempt to disrupt the Party. The same she also is true of some group supposed to be the Communist Party of Harlem. She branded it as a forgery and a fake.

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SUBJECT: NY COUNTY CP  
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NY County CP Council (committee) meeting.

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A copy of informant's report follows:

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- 1 - 100-102320 (CP VS. SACB) (415)
- 1 - 100-81752 (CP, USA, COMPROS) (415)
- 1 - 100-128 (JUNE GORDON) (424)
- 1 - 100-101604 [redacted] (421)
- 1 - 100-84275 (WILLIAM PATTERSON) (414)
- 1 - 100-129629 (WILLIAM ALBERTSON) (414)
- 1 - 100-66715 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-82863 [redacted] (421)
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- 1 - 100-133660 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-122352 (SHERRING MILLS) (424)
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- 1 - 100-67234 [redacted] (421)
- 1 - 100-111666 (JACK SHULMAN) (421)
- 1 - 100-54555 [redacted] (424)
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- 1 - 100-129802A (CP, USA, COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAM) (41)
- 1 - 100-145082 (CITIZENS COMMITTEE FOR CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES) (415)
- 1 - 100-95583 (CP, USA, LINE) (415)
- 1 - 100-128821 (CP, NYS, FACTIONALISM) (415)
- 1 - 100-107111 (COMMITTEE TO FREE MORTON SOBEL) (41)

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(11/29/61)

NY County CP Committee Meeting  
"East Side Forum"  
Central Plaza Annex, NYC  
Thursday, November 16, 1961,  
8:30-11:15 P.M.

Present: JUNE GORDON [redacted] BILL PATERSON BILL ALBERTSON,

[redacted]  
[redacted] SHERRY MILLS, [redacted]

[redacted] JACK SHULMAN. [redacted]  
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Total present: 20.

BILL ALBERTSON: This is the last of these Council meetings.

I want to give a report on the Mc Carran Act. We hope all clubs will discuss these points, based on this meeting and on page 2 of the current Worker.

There are some comrades who say that, with the coming of the McCarran Act, our country has entered a period in which we are on the verge of fascism, that the working class has suffered a major defeat, and that there is nothing to do except to make the most serious retreat and work in such a manner that we wait for a better day, so to speak. Nothing can be further from a correct estimate of the situation.

We have also heard in our ranks that some comrades have said that the Mc Carran Act is nothing new. We have had bad anti-Communist laws before, and we will have more in the future; for example, the Communist Control Act of 1954, which outlawed the CP. We had MC CARTHY, and that blew over, and they say that this will also blow over. There is also nothing further from a correct estimate than this. Both are incorrect. Both estimates lead us and the working class to a position of no struggle for the working class and the legality of the Party and the constitutional rights of the American people. Is it really five minutes to midnight, when fascism then comes upon us, or is it 5:30 A.M. and we are facing a new dawn? Certainly it is neither, but an estimate must be made of the political context in which this law is going to be enforced, and we must develop a struggle against it.



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With the Supreme Court decision on June 5, finding the registration features of this act constitutional, with the refusal to grant a re-hearing to the Party, and with the enforcement of the act, which starts not this Monday, but started last October 19, when the major sections of the Act already went into effect, we have entered a new phase in the struggle for the legal existence of our Party, and thus it is a new phase in the struggle for the constitutional liberties of the American people, because not only Communists, but also non-working class people, such as former Supreme Court Justice JACKSON and others have said that all constitutional rights are tied to the rights of Communists.

We will find new difficulties. It will be a turbulent period. Our Party will face a number of problems which we are not facing at the moment. There is no doubt that some new enemies from within will be exposed, as they always are forced to expose themselves in periods like this, and in a certain sense, it will be a period when our leaders and members will be going through new testing. It will not be the most difficult period, but it will not be an easy period.

This analysis is based on judgment of what conditions American imperialism finds itself in the present world situation, and what is happening to the KENNEDY administration within the country. The struggle will be sharper than anytime since the end of World War II. Western Germany is now an equal partner with the U.S. and has superseded Great Britain and France and is growing as a great danger to American imperialism itself. Great Britain must find its way into the common market in Europe or Western Germany will be dominating the entire European scene. France has decided that it must become a partner with Western Germany against everyone else. They say Great Britain shall not join the common market. The struggle is already on for domination of Western Europe. This is done under the excuse that a common market is necessary to fight the Soviet Union. American imperialism is already hollering about the common market. CHRISTIAN HERTER and others are yelling that we may be squeezed out of the common market ourselves. So

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these contradictions between the NATO powers are growing sharper and the struggles developing at a higher level. The only basis on which to unify is against the socialist world and that section of the world which has not alligned itself. The contradictions between the imperialist and socialist camps are much sharper.

The important thing to see in these struggles is the fact that every time a solution has been found, even temporarily, in the main it has been found at the expense of American imperialism as in Laos. We all know what happened in Cuba, too. China will enter the UN within a year. American imperialism is not happy. They are confronted with serious problems. Another thing of great importance was the 22nd Congress of the Soviet Union, which received as a world event probably more news, radio, TV, and magazine coverage than any event that has ever taken place in the world. They know how serious their problems are, perhaps even better than we do. On November 16, 1981, communism will take place. This means many things are going to happen in these 20 years. In 10 years, socialist countries will be producing more than the U.S. and in 15 years, their standard of living will be higher than ours, and those like the Shah of Iran, which has a long border with the Soviet Union, to say that if we do not give them money, to show what capitalism will do, before 20 years are up, is "nobody's business". See the New York Times of a week ago Saturday. The impact on the peoples of these countries will be great. This does not make our imperialists very happy, either. They want to meet this challenge, but the only way they can do it is by giving up their power and bringing socialism in. That is the only way, unless there is war.

On the domestic scene, the KENNEDY government is moving farther right. There is the development of the ultra right, and the moving of the administration to the right is explained by the success of the ultra right and its pressures on the administration. KENNEDY is not as yet moving headlong in that direction, because if he were, it might be impossible to force a reversal of that trend. He has made a couple of statements concerning the right, as in North Carolina a couple of weeks ago. Those in the

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administration opposed to the ultra right, like CHESTER BOWLES, are not so influential as they were at the time of the inauguration. The Cabinet represents both sides, but the administration cannot move in two different directions at once. However, the development around BOWLES when he was almost ousted, but wasn't, shows that there is still a struggle and a growing recognition of the ultra right danger. Even the Jewish Daily Forward is opposed to the Mc Carran Act, and the Jewish War Veterans recently came out against it. Among Jews, it is easier to smell fascism, so there is a reaction even from their reactionary newspapers, like the Forward. Yesterday there was a Catholic statement, too. We will argue with them, of course, because they want unity against Communism, but they are fighting against the ultra right. There are awakenings within the labor movement. There will be an explosion, if not in this coming convention, but certainly in next year's.

This shows that the fight is on. The allies in the fight for the support of RANDOLPH against the attack made on him by MEANY. Also, the movement in NYC, in which our Party is playing a vital role, and which has broadened throughout the country, which recognizes the danger of the ultra right---2,000 students in Pittsburgh picketed the Birch Society. This really represents what is key in student life in this country.

However, we must say that the level of struggle against the ultra right has not yet reached to the KENNEDY administration. The pressures of the ultra right itself are strong. There must be a higher level of struggle against the ultra right.

What does the future hold in relation to the Mc Carran Act itself? There is nothing in the situation which says that it is inevitable that the KENNEDY administration will wind up completely on the right; nor is there anything which says the administration must follow a "sane" policy. What is inherent in the situation is that he who mounts the struggle

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to a higher level will force the administration on his path. If the ultra right wins, the administration will move in that direction more rapidly. If all the pro-democratic forces bring enough pressure the administration will be forced to move in a sane direction. We must see these dangers ahead and develop the correct struggles and initiatives to move the people into motion.

The attack against the Party is designed to continue to isolate our Party. We have over the past couple of years succeeded in reestablishing certain ties with sections of the labor movement, the Negro Peoples's Movements and others. These ties are nothing to write great big resolutions about, but the fact is that they were reestablished. This is not to the liking of our ruling class, and the McCarran Act will be utilized, especially to try to break these new ties and to further isolate our Party from the American People. As J. EDGAR HOOVER said, "Don't do anything to drive the Party underground, because then we cannot control the situation."... In other words, just make people stay clear of it.

There will be indictments of certain leaders; there will be some jail sentences; there will be bail problems; there will be more individual harrassment by the FBI. More members have been stopped on the street in the last month than in a long while. They want everyone to know that he is known, in order to stop attending meetings, etc. There is nothing that says we must talk to them. They carry listening devices in their pockets. If I say, "I am against force and violence," and then at another time I say I am in favor of the rights of Negroes", then, the third time, they may have spliced the tape so it says I said I was in favor of force and violence. Some have told me in the last two weeks that they thought they fooled them, but they didn't. For the protection of the individual, he should say nothing---even if he has a warrant. The warrant must say what he is looking for, if he wants to search the house. He has to have an arrest warrant for an arrest. Some of our women comrades have yelled "Rape", and the men have run like hell.

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There will be trouble renting halls. The American Legion may stop some stands from carrying the Worker. We will have to meet and overcome these difficulties. But the estimate of the Party is that we do not expect a mass assault on the Party at this time. Should there be a serious deterioration on the international scene, then it may take place. The mounting of the struggle for peace in our country is a major factor against this deterioration.

But even though we do not expect a mass assault, we must say that the reaction of the American people to the first attack that may take place---possibly the arrest of HALL, FLYNN and DAVIS---will go a long way in determining the nature, the breadth, and the depth of the second. Let us say that HALL is arrested for refusing to register--which, of course, is in the cards---we must not assume ~~this is~~ just a test case and let there be no protest. When ROBERT KENNEDY sees that they get away with that, the next might be State Chairmen and other officers. But if, after the first attack, whatever its nature, in every area in the City where there are Communists, there are immediate protest meetings, etc., then there may not even be a second attack. The Post said they would test only whether the party must register, but we must not be confused by these newspaper stories. We must be prepared for a reaction.

The Citizens Committee is preparing itself to defend every victim of the McCarran and Smith Acts. You will remember the International Labor Defense, Civil Rights Congress etc. This committee can do this only for victims of the McCarran and Smith Acts. It is today a national committee. It has to be built, to take care of all victims. In every community where there is a group of Party people there is no doubt that they would be interested in helping to set up such a committee, whether affiliated with the Citizens Committee or not. We must get out of the talking stage in this and get into the action stage. This is a function that the Party cannot and should not perform if it is going to remain in the political party that it should be.

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The McCarran Act and its meaning to the American people must become a matter of public discussion. More people must know about the issues. Even debates with people who are opposed to us should take place. One of the contradictions: The U.S. Government came into court and said they could not win the case against LIGHT-FOOT and JOHNNY NOTO---both Communists--- and JUNIUS SCALES has to serve time. They could not use the stoolpigeon testimony.

The Negro people are today in the forefront of the fight for civil rights, so they could not single out LIGHFOOT. The mounting of every struggle strengthens the fight for constitutional liberties.

In this situation, the Party is forced to make certain shifts, in order to be in a better position to carry on its mass activities. The McCarran Act does not declare the Party illegal, and we are not going to make ourselves illegal by going underground, regardless of what Mr. HOOVER said the other day. But because of this harrassment, the problems will be more difficult, and certain readjustments must take place---like the fact that this will be the final meeting of this council. Meeting from now on will take different forms. The details will be discussed in other ways, and not today.

We must fight against any tendency toward liquidation of our Party. The ruling class wants that, and we must not do it. The Party is not outlawed by the McCarran Act, regardless of the spurious document of the day before yesterday, signed by the Harlem CP, a forgery calling for the liquidation of the CP and for the setting up of something new. This is supposed to be keeping the members out of jail. There was also a call to a conference--- a founding conference of a new American Labor-Negro Vanguard Party, a week from Saturday. It is not a Marxist Party, but they want a party "gounded in the science of social upheavals"... signed by [redacted] [redacted] from Jersey City, connected with the N.J. Anti-Party group, working with the POC and some people in New York who feel that the liquidation of our party is necessary.

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The major defense of the Party in such a period is its mass work. We must question any member who is not a member of some organization--right or left.

On the law itself: On October 19, certain sections went into and are now in effect: The passport provision says it is a crime for a Communist to apply for a passport or to use a passport if he has one, and for anyone in the State Department to grant a Communist a passport. Under the law, the definition of a Communist is the one worked out by MARTIN DIES. Anyone whose line of talk is similar to that of the Soviet Union or the CP is a Communist. There are over 10 million in this country. A communist cannot hold a non-elective job in the Federal Government unless he first discloses his membership. It is a crime to take a job in a defence facility, plant, shop, restaurant, unless one first discloses his membership. It is a crime for a Communist to work for a labor organization, not even as a porter, without disclosing membership. Those on the payroll of the CP after Oct. 19, will get no additional credit on their social security.

The labeling provision has already gone into effect. You cannot send anything through the mails to two our more people without labeling it as sent out by the CP, a communist action organization---even the bible or the Constitution of the U.S. The recipient is not liable legally; it is the sender. They will have a fight on their hands if they ask the Worker to label itself. This is a separate, non-Party organization. There is nothing within the law which says that this same material cannot be distributed by hand. Beginning Monday, since the 19th is a Sunday, the registration sections become enforceable. The registration of the Party starts Monday; and the registration of the officers starts November 29. During this period the Party is supposed to register as a Communist action organization which is an agent of a foreign power. Subsequent to that, the officers are supposed to register as officers of this Communist action organization. The Party and officers will not register.

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As to members: that does not go into effect until December 19. Beginning with the 19th or 20th, there is a certain procedure that the attorneys who have lived with this Act since its enactment have indicated that procedures for individuals are different from those for officers. There are indicated in the Bulletin #8 of the Defense Committee. I would like to indicate what I would do in the circumstances.

The SACB has to order me to register. They would like me to go to Washington on December 20 and register. But since I won't do that, a week or two later, they may find that I did not, and they may serve me with a paper, probably through the mail, to the effect that I am a member and they expect me to register and they have set a hearing. I am not going to go and try to prove that I am not a member. I do not expect any of you to come and testify that you are members and that you did not see me at meetings. They can find enough stoolpigeons to say that I was at meetings. So I am going to inform them in writing that I am availing myself of my rights under the 5th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution and that I refuse to register, because this might incriminate me. Registering lays me open to prosecution under the Smith Act as member. If I say I am not a member and refuse to register, for me, as well as for people who are non-members and refuse to testify, they will have perjury raps. I will not even put pen to the form they would ask me to fill out. They will probably pick a number of people---I do not know how many--if everybody does what I do, they are going to have a lot of 5th Amendments. The procedural law says that every person is a separate legal case.

The penalty can be invoked only from the day on which the final court of appeal has rendered its decision. There is also the 8th amendment, against cruel and inhuman punishment, which will be tested. Under the law the SACB can tell me I am a member and I must register. That is the part the Supreme Court found constitutional on June 5, but the Court refused at that point to rule on the question as to whether I am entitled to the 5th amendment. That is the crux of the case that will be made.



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This law defeats itself; even TRUMAN said so.

There is nothing giving the authorities the right to interfere with the Worker. One of the most important forms of building up the mass resistance is the increase in the circulation of this paper. This is one of the most important facets of this struggle. Long before they can get it declared a Communist paper, we will have built up the means of distributing the paper. There is nothing in the law allowing the authorities to impound peoples' homes or bank accounts. If it comes to that, they can take only my personal property, nothing my wife owns.

Even if I were not a Communist, I would still take the 5th Amendment---not like CORLISS LAMONT the other day.

This was followed by questions and discussion. [redacted] [redacted] said that, although we are talking of activity, there was no Communist representative at the Board of Estimate meeting the other day, and that was the first time in a long while.

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[redacted] expressed their disapproval of BILL ALBERTSON having been made County Coordinator, without consultation. They said he is incompetent and bureaucratic, and his appointment was an affront to SHEVRA, who has worked very hard for the county.

BILL PATTERSON:

We cannot change the name of the Party without changing the character of the struggle that must be mounted, because we are defending the rights of a political party.

We must remember that the left has masses, while the ultra right has not.

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Our Party, recognizing the time of day, has taken a number of steps to strengthen our work here in New York generally, and in Manhattan, in particular. In this respect, the Secretariat has made a request of the Brooklyn organization of our Party to release BILL and of the National Board, to. BILL has been placed at the disposal of the New York District. He is assigned to represent the NY District in Manhattan and to be the coordinator---the representative of the District and the coordinator of the political work in Manhattan. He has also been brought on the Secretariat as a member and is working fulltime. Also, he is responsible in the State for political action. This is to strengthen the apparatus to intensify Party activities and to build a stronger collective within the Secretariat and in the apparatus here in NY, and especially for political action on a state-wide basis. "This is a decision of the State Board."

[redacted] The committee to free MORTON SOBEL plans a demonstration this Saturday from 10 to 12 a.m. (SOBEL is awaiting a gall bladder operation). On Sunday, the White House will be picketed. We will leave for Washington at Broadway and 22nd St. Round trip, \$100.00.

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After the meeting, a coordinator from each area was asked to remain in order to set up the next meeting--at the home of [redacted] on Mon., Nov. 27, at 8:30 p.m.

BILL ALBERTSON also told [redacted] he would like to see her alone, at her convenience. It was arranged that he would visit her at home on Wednesday, November 22, at 9 a.m.

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-137765)

Date: 12/12/61

FROM : SA [redacted] #422

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SUBJECT: CROWN HEIGHTS FORUM  
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- 1 - Chicago (61-867) (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) (RM)
- 1 - New York [redacted] (Inv.) (422)
- 1 - New York (100-26603-C43) (KCCP) (422)
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- 1 - New York (100-128815) (CP, USA NYD NEGRO QUESTION) (414)
- 1 - New York (100-128823) (CP, USA, NYD DOMESTIC ADMINISTRATION ISSUES) (414)
- 1 - New York (100-80641) (CP, USA ORGANIZATION) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-128814) (CP, USA, NYD ORGANIZATION) (414)
- 1 - New York (100-81752) (CP, USA BRIEF) (415)
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Identity of Source:

Description of info:

Crown Heights Forum, 11/5/61,  
1110 Eastern Parkway,  
Brooklyn, NY.

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Date Received:

11/8/61

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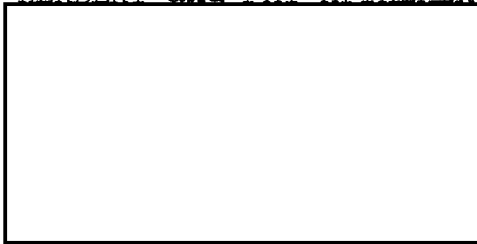
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On 11/5/61, a meeting of the Crown Heights Forum was held between 8:30 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. in Room 7, 1110 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, N.Y.

There were between 25 and 30 people present, including the following:

BEN DAVIS  
HERBERT and FAY APTHEKER



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HERBERT APTHEKER introduced BEN DAVIS as a "fighter for the Negro people".

BEN DAVIS spoke about the McCarran Act, bringing in anecdotes about his personal experiences. He said that by the 19th of November, 1961, the Communist Party would be required to register, and by the 29th of November, 1961, the national leadership would be required to register. DAVIS identified the national leadership of the Communist Party as follows:

HENRY WINSTON - National Vice-Chairman  
CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT - National Vice-Chairman  
BEN DAVIS - National Secretary  
GUS HALL - General Secretary  
PHIL BART - National Organizer  
ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN - National Chairman

DAVIS stated that neither the Communist Party nor its national leadership had any intention of registering. He said

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that none of the state or local leaders of the Communist Party would register, and that as far as he knows, none of the individual members intended to register.

DAVIS said that the Supreme Court decisions affected only Communist action, Communist front, and Communist infiltrated organizations.

DAVIS said that "The Worker" has received no instructions concerning the labeling of the paper's mail wrappers, and if such instructions are received, they will not be carried out. Instead, he said, "The Worker" will be sold on street corners.

DAVIS said that since 10/19/61, only two phases of the McCarran Act have been in effect - those applying to passports and employments. DAVIS went on to explain these two phases and discussed the fines and penalties for non-compliance with these particular sections of the law.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2003) Date 12/15/61  
FROM: SA [redacted] (#424)  
SUBJECT: CLUB #1 WESTSIDE CP SECTION  
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- 1 - 100-26603-C42 (NY COUNTY CP) (421)
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- 1 - 100-128823 (DOMESTIC ADM MATTERS) (414)
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- 1 - 100-95583 (LINE) (415)
- 1 - 100-98699 (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) (415)
- 1 - 100-145082 (CCCL) (415)
- 1 - 100- [redacted] (JOHN LAUTNER)
- 1 - 100-144036 (WEST SIDE PEACE COMMITTEE) (41)
- 1 - 100- [redacted] (MIGUEL CARRILES) (412)
- 1 - 100-144521 [redacted] (424)
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November 21, 1961  
New York, New York

The West Side Club #1 CP there was a meeting at 784 Columbus Ave. that home of [redacted] in Nov 20, 1961, Monday. Those observed were [redacted]

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[redacted] Before the meeting started [redacted] was overheard saying that he had found a job in the construction business. This group of club No. 1 will consist only those working in the West Side Committee For Friendly Relations With Cuba.

The meeting started at 8:30 p.m. [redacted] gave the main report on the last meeting of the NY County council. In the future just the captains of each group will meet. [redacted] said that BILL ALBERTSON was attached to the NY State Committee on a full time basis. She said that fascism was here and the party should go underground, that the entire [redacted] crises would soon blow over. Both tendencies are incorrect. There is no fascism and the situation will not blow over she said the party must continue its activities. She restated that all comrades should be careful using telephones for fear of taps, that not one should talk to the F.B.I. They should not be allowed in the house unless they have a warrant, she said that CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT had been dropped for fear of exposing F.B.I. spies but he could be brought up on other charges. She stated there were many healthy signs.

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From religions bodies had already condemned the Birch groups, that KENNEDY was move by pressures the tendency is more to the right. She distributed a leaflet by the Citizens Committee for Civil Liberties which tells what to do in case the F.B.I. calls on one is issued a warrant.

[redacted] said that JOHN LANTNER was observed working the West Side, she identified him as spy who formerly was a prominent communist. [redacted] restated a similar experience he claimed be followed by the same man. [redacted] said at the last West Side for Peace meeting Saturday, Nov 18, MIGUEL CABRILES spoke again and that five hundred signatures were collected. [redacted] is leading a

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class to a group of Spanish people who meet every Friday night at the home of [redacted] he ask [redacted] to attend because is no women in his class. [redacted] also urged her to attend.

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Then started to talk about the Cuban Committee. A mimeograph machine has been secured by [redacted] volunteered to keep it in his home. [redacted] told [redacted] she said that he told her that his home was searched by the F.B.I. [redacted] said that it was not the way the F.B.I. operates and he must be mistaken. [redacted] said it was risky to keep a mimeograph machine at his home. But after all agree it would be alright for [redacted] to have this machine. [redacted] said she went to deposit \$10.00 at the Marseilles Hotel at 103 St. and Broadway for the meeting the West Side Committee for Friendly Relations with Cuba will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 29, 1961, and the man in charge asked \$50.00 and she said [redacted] told her is \$15.00 so there was some doubt about the next meeting [redacted] said the fee for the hall was to be \$15.00 without chairs. [redacted] said she would contact the man again. She said she will have the invitations mimeograph by [redacted] The [redacted] said she had secured a place for the committee party, details will be taken up at a future meeting. [redacted] was unable to attend this meeting she said is making the stencil for the News-Letter. A leaflet issued by the Civil Liberties Committee was severely criticized by [redacted] as ineffective and provocative. She said that 4 out of 6 groups of the CP refused to distributed it.

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[redacted] said that she will take it up with [redacted] of the Civil Liberties Committee. The next meeting going be about a report on [redacted] will be held tuesday, Dec 5, 1961, at the house of [redacted] The meeting ended at 11:00 p.m.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C43)

DATE: 12/29/61

FROM : SA [redacted] (#422)

SUBJECT: KINGS COUNTY CP  
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Identity of source: [redacted]

Description of info: Meeting at [redacted]

[redacted] 12/15/61

Date received: 12/18/61

Original located: [redacted]

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- 1 - 100-95583 (CP, USA LINE) (415)
- 1 - 100-132462 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-26603-C2058 (KCCP WOMENS CLUB) (422)
- 1 - 100-134719 [redacted] (422)
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- 1 - 100-101936 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-26603-C2049 (KCCP PEACE CLUB) (422)
- 1 - 100-125850 [redacted] (422)
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12/18/61

On 12/15/61, the following individuals met at the residence of [redacted] to discuss a "fight-back" against the McCarran Act. Discussion was held concerning a plan to contact influential people in the area to enlist their aid. It is planned that sometime in the future, a social affair will be held with the idea in mind of inviting influential people, and in this manner, getting them to fight against the McCarran Act.

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There was no mention of the CP at this meeting, and it was brought out that the McCarran Act affected everyone in the United States.

Present at this meeting were the following ~~whom I~~ <sup>WHO ARE</sup> known to be members of the CP:

[redacted] Womens Club, Kings County CP  
[redacted] all of  
the Peace Club, Kings County CP

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Also present were the following whose status as far as the CP is concerned is not ~~known~~ known: *MC*

[redacted]

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This same group is scheduled to meet again on the same matter on 1/5/62, and it is hoped that more people will attend.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2049)      DATE: 12/29/61

FROM : SA [redacted] (#422)

SUBJECT: KCCP PEACE CLUB  
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Identity of source [redacted]

Description of info [redacted]

Meeting of Peace Club, KCCP,  
12/4/61, at [redacted]

Date received: 12/5/61

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- 1 - 100-134719 [redacted] (422)
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- 1 - 100-140621 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-140856 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-44781 [redacted] (415)
- 1 - 100-92008 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-95583 (CP, USA LINE) (415)
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- 1 - 100-128821 (CP, USA NYD FRACTIONALISM) (414)
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12/5/61

On 12/4/61, a meeting of the Peace Club, Kings County CP, was held at the residence of [redacted]  
[redacted]

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Present were:

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It was mentioned that [redacted]  
[redacted] both on the Executive Committee of the Peace Club, had recently met with one representative of a club in the Bedford-Stuyvesant Section, Kings County CP, concerning a "fight-back" against the McCarran Act.

[redacted] was overheard to say that she had learned of the intimation at the last Kings County CP Council meeting that she had been the instigator of the movement to urge [redacted] to attend a meeting of the Labor-Negro Vanguard Party. She said she was angry, that she wouldn't take that lying down, and that she intends to take up the matter with the proper people to straighten it out. She said that if "they" wanted her out of the Party, she will leave.

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[redacted] said that the government is proceeding carefully and legally concerning their enforcement of the McCarran Act, due mainly to public and world opinion. She said that the government would have to expose informants and stooges before they could make mass arrests.

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[redacted] discussed the recent Kings County CP Council meeting and criticized the Peace Club concerning their actions in attempting to have [redacted] attend the Labor-Negro Vanguard Party meeting at Adelphi Hall recently. She said that when [redacted] had mentioned this to [redacted] he had instructed [redacted] not to attend the meeting.

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[redacted] statement resulted in heated discussion by all the members of the Peace Club, who were critical of the County Council. It was the opinion of the club that as Marxists, they had a right to ask questions, and it was pointed out by the members that at the time, there had been no Party statement concerning the Labor-Negro Vanguard movement. The membership pointed out that they had urged [redacted] to go to the meeting, but that he should get the proper authority first. They said that [redacted] had approached [redacted] for authority, but had been told not to go.

[redacted] said that it had been a violation of her rights and the Party Constitution to mention her name at the last Council meeting in connection with the matter. She said it had been wrong to bring up the affair at the Council meeting without first presenting it to the Peace Club. She said that now all of Brooklyn feels that the Peace Club is anti-Party. She demanded an apology or to be brought up on charges.

[redacted] attempted to deny that [redacted] name had been mentioned at the Council meeting, but [redacted] said that it was a lie. [redacted] then pointed out that the Peace Club could not take criticism, and [redacted] promptly replied that it was Clara who could not take criticism.

After this, the whole affair settled into an argument that lasted until midnight, and in a stalemate. As a result, ~~xxx~~ nothing was settled. *MC*

The next Peace Club meeting will be on 12/19/61 at the residence of [redacted]

[redacted]

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C43 ) DATE: 12/29/61

FROM : SA [redacted] (#422)

SUBJECT: KINGS COUNTY CP  
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Description of info

Kings County CP Council 12/1/61

Date received

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- 1 100-128821 (CP, USA NYD FACTIONALISM) (414)
- 1 100-67348 [REDACTED] (422)

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12/5/61

On 12/1/61, a meeting of the Kings County <sup>CP</sup> Council was held at the residence of [redacted]

Present were:

[redacted]

Fay Aptheker  
Betty Gannett  
[redacted]

Fay Aptheker is the organizer for the Forum Club in the absence of [redacted] who is ill.

Discussion was held concerning the mid-week edition of "The Worker." It was said that sales of this paper had to be increased if it is to continue in publication. Those present were urged to check the members of their individual clubs for subscriptions to the paper, and to also look around their various neighborhoods for distribution points for the paper.

[redacted] discussed peace work, and said that women in the peace movement are good, and that they are doing fine work by themselves without direction or instigation. She said there is a new State Committee for Peace, and that ~~in~~ she is on this committee. She urged that the peace movement be coordinated in Brooklyn, and that each club should have discussion on this matter.

Betty Gannett said that the Kennedy Administration is shifting its emphasis more against the ultra-right, and that there has been a shift in the whole cold war situation.

Gannett criticized the Peace Club, Kings County CP, for its discussion of the new Labor-Negro Vanguard Party. She explained that the Peace Club members had urged [redacted] their organizer, to attend a meeting or convention of this group to determine just what it was. Gannett said that this was a violation of Party principles and was dangerous. She intimated that [redacted] had started the whole affair in the Peace Club, and that someone from higher echelon would be at the next Peace Club meeting to straighten out the matter.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-2003)

DATE: 12/29/61

FROM : SA [redacted] (#424)

SUBJECT: CLUB #1, WESTSIDE CP SECTION  
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Dec 9, 1961

New York, N.Y.

The C.P. of the West Side Club #1 held a meeting at the home of [redacted] on Thursday, Dec 5 1961 at 8:30 P.M. The people were observed present [redacted]

[redacted] Sarah Plotkin, due to the fact that [redacted] group had dissolved Sarah was attached to the above [redacted] started a discussion about [redacted] article in World Marxist Review which dealt primarily on Cuban trend to socialism. [redacted] stated that socialism was forced on Cuba that when intervention in foreign firms started it had to end with Cuba firms.

[redacted] stated that a West Side forum for constitutional liberties would hold a meeting, Thursday, Dec 21, 1961 at the Hotel Lucerne at 8:30 P.M. 79 St + Amsterdam Ave, NYC.

[redacted] criticized [redacted] from the Cuba committee for his attitude he wants to be everywhere, do everything and try to run things. It was decided to hold a meeting with him to straighten things out. Then the groups gave their monthly donations. The next discussion will be on the recent congress of C.P.S.U. Sarah Plotkin will report; the next meeting will be held at the home of Sarah 119 W 106 St Dec 18, 1961 Monday night. The meeting ended at 10:20 P.M.

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# Memorandum

TO SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2004) DATE: 12/29/61

FROM SA [redacted] (#424)

SUBJECT CLUB #1, WESTSIDE CP SECTION  
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Dec. 9, 1961  
New York, NY

There was a meeting of the C.P. West Side  
Club #1 at the home of [redacted]  
Sunday Dec. 5, 1961 at 8:30 PM. The following  
people were present [redacted]

[redacted] Social  
Platform. Due to the fact that [redacted] group  
had dissolved, Sarah was attached to the above  
the discussion was held [redacted] articles

in World Marxist Review which dealt principally on  
the reasons for Cuba's turn to Socialism [redacted]  
stated according to his article that Socialism was  
literally forced on Cuba that <sup>when</sup> intervention in  
foreign affairs started it had to end with Cuba first

[redacted] stated that a West Side  
Forum for Constitutional Liberties would hold a  
meeting Thursday Dec 21 at the Hotel Luccombe  
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[redacted] from the Cuban Committee for his  
attitude in that he wants to be everywhere, do  
everything and in general try to run things [redacted]  
decided to try and hold a meeting with him  
to straighten things out. The group gave their  
monthly donations, the next discussion will be  
on the next congress of CPSU. Sarah's talking will report.  
The next meeting will be held at the home of Sarah  
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Plotline 1196:106D Dec 18 1961 Monday  
in meeting ended at 10:20 PM.



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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-54651)

DATE: 12/29/61

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: CP, USA, NATIONAL GROUPS  
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Identity of source [redacted]

Description of info

Meeting of Minor Press Club  
on 11/30/61, at Estonian  
Hall, 125th St. and Lexington  
Ave, NYC

Date received

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Meeting of the Minor Press Club of the CP, which was held on Nov. 30th, 7:30 to 10:20 P.M. at the Estonian Hall, 125 St. & Lexington Ave. There were about 30 present, among whom: James Jackson, [redacted]

[redacted] urged all editors present to be present without fail if the American Committee for the Protection of Foreign Born calls on them. This in reference to the fight against registration.

Jackson also spoke briefly on this saying that a decision was made to streamline the Party leadership and organization in order to better fight the Justice Department. He said that now the top leadership consists of three leaders. He said it is nonsense, as some newspapers and radio commentators have reported, that the Party has gone underground. We are just protecting our organization and our members, against these vicious acts. He said that [redacted] it is your responsibility (referring to the editors) to give all the necessary publicity against the Smith - McCarron Acts and that if anything happens in your ranks (arrests) to communicate immediately with the proper committees we have set-up, or others fighting for the same purpose.

Then Jackson [redacted] spoke almost for the rest of the evening on his trip to the 22nd Party Congress of the CPSU. Here some of the things he stated: The Soviet Union will surpass the United States in certain fields by 1970 and in most other economic fields by 1980....Kruschov does not say these things for the pleasure of doing so....I heard delegates from all fields speak about these matters....the dictatorship of the proletariat does not exist any longer.... the fight against the cult of the personality has been won and shows how strong the Party is now politically advanced the people of the Soviet Union are.... because the dictatorship has been abolished....more democratic things have been [redacted]...the people are replacing the function of the state (courts, etc)

A serious situation has developed in the Marxist World movement... this has been precipitated by the Chinese Communist Party..it is a departure from Marxism by the leaders of the Communist Party of China. It is very wrong to say that this split is between the Soviet Union and China....what we have to analyze is the deviation of Chinese Communists.....Comrades we have to say these things....[redacted] we have tried to solve these problems at the Bucharest meeting, at the [redacted] Congress of the 81 Communist parties. The Chinese would agree, sign the documents, but then return to the same song. As you can see all these meetings did not solve the differences. On a state to state relationship, the situation between the Soviet Union and China has improved somewhat..but otherwise the situation remains the same....

One of the first differences was on the commune question... [redacted] not only was applying this erroneous position in China, but he was trying to do the same in Rumania and Bulgaria, and now in Cuba. Many Chinese Communists, tried to impose this ideology, working thru Chinese embassies, etc. Now they are beginning to recognize that the [redacted]

communes were a failure...but they won't admit publicly...you see [redacted] is infallible...here again the cult of the personality...here it is even worse that what it was under Stalin....

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The other main difference was on foreign policy. Openly the Chinese leaders would subscribe to the decisions of the Int'l Communists, but again and again they would act as they pleased...theirs, comrades, was a policy of provocation...it hurts to say this, but say we must, because this doesn't stop, they don't desist...they have developed the policy of the Trojan horse....but we don't live in the Middle Ages, when wars were fought with horses...now wars are fought with missiles...they have stirred up Albania too to provoke a war in the Balkans, against Greece and Yugoslavia.... Their actions on Indian territory has cost the CP of India incredible losses. They lost Karelia, Bombay....Comrade [redacted] explained these things...now again they are provoking...this is a form of pressure against the Soviet Union....Well comrades, communists don't act this way....our Indian comrades can't tolerate this any longer...and we can't either.

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On Albania, Jackson added this.....Jushi and Hoxha have installed a monarcho-dictatorship, it is a family affair...over 20 per cent of the founders of the CP of Albania have been shot..a woman communist top leader was ~~xxx~~ shot, while ~~xxx~~ pregnant, even after the CP of the Soviet Union asked that she be spared..Well Hoxha told us at the 20th Congress that she was shot after she had a miscarriage... imagine such atrocities, atrocities that not even the Czar committed...

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The policy of the Chinese comrades is very dangerous, is unrealistic. they feel that now is the time to strike against imperialism.

The discussion, although brief, was strong, acrimonious...Questions asked: Who authorized comrade Flynn to vote against Albania, when didn't even now that such split existed...was [redacted] it necessary to change the name of Stalingrad.....why Khrushchev report appeared first in the capitalist press, and while we were denying it, our Russian comrades, never hinted to us what was going on....why attack Albania, and not Yugoslavia who has killed more, and has deviated more.....

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Jackson answered in general terms stating that a new era has entered the Marxist movement, that we are discussing these problems now, that we must be careful not to create panic, show in other words that we are not afraid to discuss ideological questions. Deal with the Chinese, Albania situation in a careful manner. The Worker will also be dealing with this. We must always remember that Khrushchev's policy which was approved after long discussions in the CPSU and other parties on co-existence is correct, that communism can triumph over capitalism without resorting to war. Capitalism won't dare to provoke a war if they see that the Communists of all over the world are united. This we must show the Chinese comrades. Jackson repeated that this discussion is not the first we will have.

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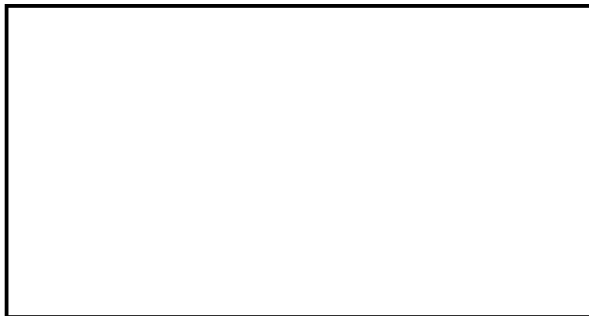
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On 11/20/61, a meeting of the Peace Club, Kings  
County CP, was held in the top floor apartment of [redacted]  
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Present were:



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The Mc Carran Act was discussed point by point. [redacted]  
[redacted] read an article concerning this matter from a copy of  
"The Worker".

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[redacted] [redacted] gave a report on his meeting with [redacted]  
[redacted]

It was decided that the Executive Committee of the Peace  
Club should meet with representatives of the two clubs in the Bedford-  
Stuyvesant area of the Kings County CP, and with representatives of  
another CP Club in the Crown Heights area of Brooklyn to discuss  
a joint action to fight back against the Mc Carran Act and the Inter-  
nal Security Act of 1950. The intentions are to move influential  
people in becoming interested in this matter, and to organize  
the movement something along the lines of the Citizens Committee  
for Constitutional Liberties.

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[redacted] is to check with [redacted] concerning the size of clubs and to tell her that all the Crown Heights Forums have been joint action affairs, and not organized by the Forum Club alone as believed by [redacted]. [redacted] have also been instrumental in organizing these Forums.

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The next Crown Heights Forum will be held on 12/3/61, at 1110 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, New York, at which time ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN will speak concerning the 22nd Congress recently held in the Soviet Union.

The next Peace Club meeting will be held on 12/4/61, at [redacted] apartment, [redacted] and the Executive Committee of the Peace Club will meet 11/28/61, at [redacted] residence, [redacted].

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[redacted] gave [redacted] to give to DANNY RUBEL as a contribution from the Peace Club for the Sustaining Fund, Dues, and for the Mid-Week Worker. This is the amount after the 20% deduction for the Peace Club had been taken out.

It was announced that there is no need to transfer a Peace Club member to the Forum Club to act as the Organizer pending the recovery of [redacted] from her illness as one of the members of the Forum Club has agreed to act in that capacity.

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Mass work was discussed and the only members of the Peace Club not active in mass work are [redacted]. The following is a break down of mass work activities of some of the Peace Club members:

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[redacted] - SANE  
[redacted] - Jewish Groups  
[redacted] was active in Tenants and PTA groups.

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[redacted] - Jewish Organizations of elderly people many of whom are influential.

[redacted] Operation Unemployment, Teamsters, NALC, NAACP, and the Brotherhood Party.

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[redacted] Can not be active in Teachers Unions as this might jeopardize his present job. He is hoping to get a license for a teaching position in New York City. He will probably be active in Peace Work or PTA.

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On 12/5/61, [redacted] advised [redacted] is the member of [redacted] who has agreed to act as organizer of that club pending the recovery of [redacted]. Therefore, a copy of this memo is being designated for the file of [redacted].

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MEMORANDUM

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On 12/4/61, ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN gave a talk at the Polonia Club, 201 Second Ave., New York City, on the topic, "22nd Congress of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union." This affair was sponsored by the Greater New York Press Club.

There were about 150-200 people present, including:

[REDACTED]  
JAMES LUSTIG

[REDACTED] Introduced ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN by name - no title was used. In her talk, FLYNN made no references to the Communist Party in the United States, or her position in the Party.

A collection was taken up for "The Worker", and \$69.38 was realized.

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## STATEMENT ON PARTY UNITY AND THE FIGHT AGAINST DISRUPTERS

Issued by the Communist Party, U.S.A.

On June 5, 1961, the Supreme Court upheld the monstrous McCarran Act. In the seven months that have elapsed, the Party has been fighting a crucial battle not only to defend its own rights but those of all Americans. Notwithstanding intense propaganda, harassments and threats of persecution, and with a clear recognition of the enormous penalty which non-compliance entails, the Party, its leadership and membership, have refused to bow to the fascist edict to register.

The Party had no choice but refusal. To do otherwise would be to jeopardize the constitutional rights and well-being of all progressive and democratic movements in the country. The McCarran Act is not a mere registration act. It writes into law the Hitlerite Big Lie of an alleged Communist "conspiracy" and that the CP is a foreign subversive agent. To register would be confessing to these lies and would be perjury. That is why neither the Party nor a single officer nor a single member has registered. In taking this course, the Party and the membership acted in the spirit of the great democratic traditions of our land. They struck a resounding blow for democracy and freedom against the mounting forces of reaction and fascism. This courageous stand has won the admiration and support of wide sections of progressive and democratic opinion at home and abroad. There is no doubt that the broad masses of people, unlike the first years of McCarthyism, are more actively opposing political repression.

Angered at this determined stand of the Party, the reactionary forces have called for prosecutions. The Government has indicted the Party for failure to register and statements have been made that further prosecution will take place against a number of officers. No matter what prosecutions will be instituted by the Government, the Party will fight for its constitutional rights every inch of the way. It will mobilize the widest public opinion in the invincible confidence that this vital struggle for democracy and the Bill of Rights can be won. It feels certain, as already evidenced, that democratic-minded people in the country will come to its defense, that the voice of the Party will be heard, and that the true position of Communism will be made known to larger numbers of people. Contrary to the expectation of reaction, the attack is not only galvanizing the Party into more resolute and wider action, it is also awakening new sections of people to social and political struggle and stiffening the whole battle for civil liberties.

The Party leadership calls upon all members and all Party organizations to carry on more vigorously than ever the struggle for the Party's defense, to explain the vital issues involved in this battle -- particularly to answer the big lie that the Communist Party is a foreign agent -- to give support to the upbuilding of defense and civil liberties bodies, and everywhere to demand that the persecution cease, that the McCarran Act be repealed, and that the Constitution and Bill of Rights be fully enforced in our land. It urges all members to engage to the fullest extent in the battle for peace, for equality of the Negro people, and for the everyday crucial issues of the people.

Above all, the leadership calls on the members to safeguard the Party, and to preserve its unity at all costs.

Unity is imperative, because reaction, faced by the firm stand of the Party, seeks to achieve its end by disruption from within. The unity of Party leadership and membership has been growing stronger in recent years. With some exceptions which we will deal with, the Party and its membership have overwhelmingly given determined support to the leadership. This is not only because of the correct line of the Party and the resolute stand of the leadership, but also because of the courage and heightened understanding of leaders and members on the key importance of the Party resulting from the decisive fight against the right revisionists and liquidators. It is also due to the timely and firm action of the National and New York leadership in exposing, defeating, and routing the attempt of some elements in New York to push for the dissolution of the Party in the period immediately following the Supreme Court decision. As a result of this struggle, the unity of leadership and rank and file was further enhanced.

Attention, however, must be called to the fact that a small number of these neo-liquidators have now passed over into open disruption and renegacy. In Buffalo, six of these members, after suffering defeat, have resigned from the Party. These elements talked loud about the Party in the past, even slanderously accused the leadership of "revisionism" and just when the Party is in the heart of the fight for democracy and peace and is being viciously attacked by reaction, they withdraw from the front of battle. They thus reveal themselves in their true colors as deserters of the fight for democracy, deserters of the fight for Marxism-Leninism, and for the Marxist-Leninist Party. They were repudiated and expelled.

Connected with these deserters is another handful of disrupters in New York headed by Milt Rosen, who have also renounced the Party. Called to a hearing on charges that they held an anti-Party faction meeting on December 2-3, these disrupters acknowledged that the meeting was held, but declared that they did not recognize the authority of the Party to inquire into the matter and that they disavowed the Party. They were unanimously expelled at an enlarged and representative meeting of the New York State leadership. At this meeting, they were disavowed by those who for one or another reason had been associated with them in the past.

This group resorts to double-dealing, seeks to camouflage its real intentions. In the recent period, while claiming that he was going along with the Party, despite its condemnation of him and his group by the state and national organization in August 1961, Rosen was preparing to break with the Party and to issue a paper which has now appeared. It is called "Progressive Labor," and one might be deceived by its name into thinking it a kind of left labor organ, but this is only camouflage. An examination of the first issue, edited by Milt Rosen and Mort Scheer, shows that it will be an organ to divert from a real development of a left-progressive movement in the trade unions, and that its policies can only isolate left forces from the broad masses. It is and will be a medium for fighting the Communist Party and disrupting the left currents in the trade unions.

Its leading article, "On an Alternative Policy for Labor," indicates sharply how far this group has already traveled from the Party and from Marxism-Leninism. Its very first sentence opens with this flat anarcho-syndicalist statement: "The trade union is the only instrument the American worker has with which to protect his job, his working conditions, and his general welfare." Every informed member will see at once that this accords basically with the revisionist position, expressed particularly by Bittelman, that the trade union movement is the vanguard in the United States.

Of course, the trade unions have improved the conditions of the workers and their general welfare. Trade unions are the elementary organizations of the working class -- their most important mass bodies. But there are other organizations, including the political party of the working class -- its vanguard -- which is the highest type of working class organization -- an indispensable instrument for labor's advance on immediate issues and for the achievement of socialism. Who does not know that for the past 100 years where the unions made important advances that this was done chiefly under the influence of militant workers, of socialists before World War I and of the Communists within the past forty years? Who does not know that the Communist Party USA pioneered the fight for unemployment and social insurance, for organizing the unorganized, for trade union democracy, for enrolling Negroes in the trade unions, and fighting for equality for them in jobs, in union posts and in all phases of social and political life, and that the Communist Party was in the very forefront of the struggle to build the modern labor movement. Even John L. Lewis, according to his biographer, Saul Alinsky, stated that the "Communist Party made a major contribution to the organization of the unorganized for the C.I.O." But these people who have turned against the Party have forgotten this historic role of the vanguard which is so imperative for labor's progress today. This sheet says that the unions have eliminated the socialist forces and this contributed to their weakening. Was it not the Communists and just plain militants who were eliminated? Why is the term Socialists substituted for Communists? The sheet bunches all leaders of the AFL-CIO together, failing to see that one of the main features in the labor movement today is a growing differentiation in leadership. In fact, it was because of this differentiation and support of a part of the leadership by Randolph that the censure resolution against him was dumped at the AFL-CIO convention.

This sheet discusses reaction in the country and has not a word to say about the Ultra-Right which is spearheading the drive toward war and fascism. It makes criticism of policy of the trade union movement, but in characteristic sectarian style does not offer a single concrete demand, a single alternative to the policy of Meany and Dubinsky. It states that socialism is needed for the workers, but does not say a word of how the workers are to achieve this -- by means of mass struggle enlightened by the ideas of socialism. This publication will soon enough follow in the footsteps of the Trotskyites. It will be loud in phrases and divisive in action, even as the Trotskyites. Such is the logic of people without Marxist-Leninist principles, people who have deserted the struggle at the moment of attack.

The development of this group to open renegacy is not accidental. Its background was given in the resolution of the National Committee adopted in August, 1961, which pointed out that Rosen and those closely associated with him had persistently opposed the Party leadership along factional lines since the 17th National Convention of the Party.

This group opposed the line of the 17th Party Convention, of making democracy -- the fight against monopoly and the necessity of forming an anti-monopoly coalition -- the central task of the present stage. It opposed the line of the National Committee which declared that war is not inevitable and that peaceful co-existence is possible -- policies which were later affirmed by life itself and was expressed in the position of the 81-Party statement. It must be added that characteristic of its instability and superficiality, this group on the eve of the 17th Convention following the Khrushchev 1959 visit to Eisenhower, made the startling conclusion rejected by the Convention that "peace is already here and that party policy must be based on it!"

The group talked about the united front, but in practice obstructed the development of the united front by its sectarian and dogmatic outlook and by demanding of left and progressive forces a viewpoint similar to that of the Party. It made a big noise about openly bringing forward the Party, but failed to grasp the necessity of new methods required by present-day conditions to advance the Party, and was ignorant of the major strategic fact that the Party can grow only if it convinces the people by its deeds, by fighting for their day-to-day interests.

This group lacked a real faith in the readiness of the masses to fight. [redacted] for example, stated in May 1959 Political Affairs on the eve of the big steel strike, that such a strike would be a mere deal between the union officials and the corporations, would last only a few weeks, long enough to get rid of inventories, whereas it was a bitterly fought strike for major issues which lasted about four months. Its election policy of 1960 was that of sitting it out instead of working, as the Party called for, to influence issues, candidates, and movements, and to develop the greatest degree of independent political activities particularly of the peace and the democratic forces. At the present time, this group considers that only the Kennedy Administration must be fought, and violently opposes the Party position of the need of fighting both the Administration and also the Ultra-Right which represent the most dangerous elements and a growing menace to peace and democracy that must be combatted with increasing energy.

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Internally this group carried on secret factional activities, engaged in rumor-mongering, and in the spreading of falsehoods about leadership, and became a center of disruption. It engendered factionalism among youth and seriously hurt their development. It crassly violated the Leninist principles of democratic centralism as did the revisionists in the past. The germs of its liquidatory position were therefore present much earlier and even found expression in a proposal by [redacted] in November 1959 Political Affairs "that the National and State offices be closed."

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Though they pretend to be proletarian, the members of this clique are either petty-bourgeois in background, or are strongly influenced ideologically by the bourgeoisie, petty-bourgeoisie and Trotskyites. This accounted for their barrenness on matters of policy, their instability, and their swinging from the extremes of left and right on issues. Living in the past, immersed in its thinking in past controversies, looking backward, not forward, dogmatic and doctrinaire, lacking any real knowledge of Marxism-Leninism, overestimating the strength of capitalism, and underestimating the strength of the masses, failing to see the new relation of world forces in which socialism increasingly determines the course of events, this group developed pessimism and defeatism.

This explains its irresponsible attitude after the Supreme Court decision in June, when this clique supported or conciliated the proposition made by one of its members to dissolve the Party. When repudiated overwhelmingly by the State Committee, it carried its struggle into the ranks of the Party in violation of discipline, and fought not the liquidators, but the National Committee. That is why the National Committee resolution at the time warned that this group was pursuing an anti-Party course, which is now clearly affirmed.

Defeated and repudiated within the Party this group has now gone outside the ranks to conduct a struggle against it, and to utilize whatever contact it has to carry on disruption from within.

We do not have here merely a question of disagreement on policy. The Party regards discussion, exchange of views, mutual consultation, criticism, and self-criticism indispensable for the Party's growth. This is a question of flagrant violation of Party decisions and persistent attempts to disrupt and dissolve the Party. The Party cannot exist if it does not unreservedly fight those who want to destroy it, who do not recognize it, who renounce it. This is self-evident. We therefore warn the membership against this group, notwithstanding its smallness, for at this moment the enemy is eager to make use of any opposition to hurt the Party. It must be relentlessly fought and expose. While explaining issues and winning over every sincere comrade who may not be clear on the issues, there must be no conciliation, for to conciliate or tolerate disrupters is to help the enemy. This is the only way, particularly at a critical moment, to maintain Party unity and to enable the Party to effectively carry through its work.

The future of this group will not be better than that of other dogmatic sects which split from the Party. The [redacted] group is speculating on the stand of the Albanian Party, with which it is in accord. The Albanian Party leaders support the methods and practices of the Stalin cult, play a disruptive role, having departed from the 81-Party position on the question of peaceful coexistence and the non-inevitability of war. But contrary to the lies of the monopolist press that seeks to stimulate division, the world Communist movement is overwhelmingly opposed to the Albanian Party's position. Irrespective of some differences of estimates on the present world situation, here and there, the world Communist movement is solidly united on the basic ideological principles of the 81-Party statement. Its unity is indestructible.

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Attention must also be called to another disruptive group, which has been moved into action by government attacks on the Party. This is the group calling itself the American Labor-Negro-Vanguard Party. It is a group of disrupters who were expelled from the Party several years ago in New Jersey, which thinks it can now fish in troubled waters. This grouplet called a meeting attended by some thirty or forty miscellaneous people, most of whom were Trotskyist followers. It was attended by Farrell Dobbs, the Trotskyist leader, who spoke and encouraged their formation. This group must be exposed and combatted.

It is a law of development that at each historic turn there are some that cannot go along, cannot make the turn, give way to difficulties and capitulate, often using left phrases to cover up their capitulation. The Party does not become weaker, but grows stronger, by cleansing its ranks of such elements. Inner struggle is unavoidable, because of the strong pressure of bourgeois surroundings. That is why a resolute struggle must be conducted against both right and left opportunism, centering at a given time or place upon that tendency, group, or activity which is the main obstacle to the Party's work and progress.

The Communist Party, fulfilling its historic role of vanguard fighter for peace, democracy and socialism, will strengthen its organization notwithstanding the faint hearts, skeptics, the deserters, the renegades, operating under various guises, forms and tactics. The Communist Party lives, functions, increasingly improves its work, and is gradually widening its influence. It is a potent force today in the fight for peace, democratic rights and the people's interests. Its role will grow as the contradictions of capitalism sharpen. Big Business knows this. That is why it hates and attacks the Party so viciously today. Both leadership and membership, while firmly adhering to the Party and to its Marxist-Leninist principles, realize the need to find the necessary forms to reach the masses and overcome the barriers erected by reaction. They are determined to overcome weaknesses by criticism, self-criticism and collective work and by strengthening its Marxist-Leninist consciousness.

The struggle is a hard one, but it can be won. World socialist and democratic forces are advancing with increasing strength and at home the people are moving, though unevenly, to greater heights in the fight for peace, for Negro equality, social and labor's needs. The Communist Party will win the battle for its existence and advance the people's cause.

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January 11, 1962

NY, NEW YORK (100-87211)

1/10/62

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NY, USA FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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On 1/10/62, [redacted] has had furnished reliable information in the past, furnished a statement on Party Unity, a statement of which is attached hereto. The statement received this Bureau during the course of a meeting of the NYSD Board held on 1/11/62.

Copies of this statement were sent to the Bureau on 1/10/62. A copy will also be made by Boston since they are origin for "America Negro Labor Vanguard Party; IS C"

The original of the statement will be maintained in [redacted]

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- 1 [redacted] (100- [redacted]) (NY, USA)
- 1 [redacted] (100- [redacted]) (NY, USA)
- 1 [redacted] (100-10222) (NY, USA)
- 1 [redacted] (100-14737) [redacted] (NY, USA)
- 1 [redacted] (100-11174) [redacted] (NY, USA)
- 1 [redacted] (100-10222) (NY, USA)
- 1 [redacted] (100- [redacted]) (NY, USA)
- 1 [redacted] (100- [redacted]) (NY, USA)
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C263)

Date 1/25/62

FROM: SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: 17th A.D. CLUB, KCCP  
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Identity of source [redacted]

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Description of info Meeting of 17th A.D. Club, KCCP.  
1/3/62, [redacted]

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Date received 1/6/62

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Original located [redacted]

A copy of informant's report follows:

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- 1 - [redacted] (INV) (422)
- 1 - 100-26603-C43 (KCCP) (422)
- 1 - 100-110783 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-100487 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-102287 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-118907 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-141221 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-96680 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-95583 (CP, USA, LINE) (415)
- 1 - 100-128817 (CP, USA, NYD, MEMBERSHIP) (414)
- 1 - 100-128514 (CP, USA, NYD FUNDS) (414)
- 1 - 100-26603-C263 (422)

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On 1/3/62, a meeting of the 17th AD Club, Kings County  
CP. was held at the home of [redacted]

Present were:

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Discussion was held concerning the efforts of the  
committee seeking ways and means to abolish the McCarran Act.

Each person present was asked to submit names of those  
who are prominent in the community and who would be willing to  
act as sponsors for the committee.

[redacted] said that there would be no formal  
registration of Party members this year.

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The following made pledges for the sustaining fund:

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2003)

Date 2/9/62

FROM: SA [redacted] (#424)

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SUBJECT: CLUB # 1  
WEST SIDE CP SECTION  
IS - C

Identity of source [redacted]

Description of info 1/29/62 meeting of Club #1, CP.

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Date received 2/1/62

Original located [redacted]

A copy of informant's report follows:

- 1 - [redacted] (INV) (424)
- 1 - 100-26603-C42 (NY COUNTY CP) (421)
- 1 - 100-26603-C1920 (WESTSIDE CP SECTION) (424)
- 1 - 100-57965 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-143645 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-48033 (IRVING POTASH) (415)
- 1 - 100-87097 (SARAH PLOTKIN) (424)
- 1 - 100-7976 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-11383 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-88464 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-114924 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-128823 (DOMESTIC ADM. MATTERS) (414)
- 1 - 100-128821 (FACTIONALISM) (415)
- 1 - 100-129802 (COUNTERINTELLIGENCE) (41)
- 1 - 100-128817 (MEMBERSHIP) (415)
- 1 - 100-95583 (LINE) (415)
- 1 - 100-128813 (PAMPHLETS & PUBLICATIONS) (415)
- 1 - 100-26603-C2003 (424)

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NY 100-26603-C2003

January 30, 1962  
New York, N.Y.

The club #1 CP held a meeting at the house of [redacted] at 8:30 p.m. Monday Jan. 29, 1962. Among the observed present were IRVING POTASH, [redacted] SARAH PLOTKIN, [redacted] S. The [redacted] about this meeting was the charges made against [redacted] by IRVING POTASH for his anti-party activities with a group. [redacted] had written down what was his reasons and to defend himself, he said the party leaders were there for 20 years, that they should have a young new leaders, that the party revisionist leaders had perpetuated itself in power and expells all those who seek improvement. The party has 3,000 memberships and before was 80,000. he said that he would remain in the party if were allowed to support the publication of the "Progressive Labor". He was unanimously voted out the party. [redacted] announced the quot:s had been set for the Worker fund and sustaining fund. each member had to give a monthly pledge. [redacted] pledged [redacted] SARAH [redacted] plus eah had to pledge for the worker, [redacted] SARAH \$35. SARAH PLOTKIN was selling literature. The meeting ended at 12:00 p.m.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, BUFFALO  
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK  
SUBJECT: CLUB #1  
WEST SIDE CP SECTION  
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Date: 2/19/62

- 1 - Buffalo (100-10454) (MORT SCHEER) (RM)
- 1 - New York [redacted] (Inv.) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-26603-C42) (NY COUNTY CP) (421)
- 1 - New York (100-26603-C1920) (WESTSIDE CP SECTION) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-57965) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-143645) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-48033) (IRVING POTASH) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-7976) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-87097) (SARAH PLOTKIN) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-113830) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-88464) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-114924) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-128823) (DOMESTIC ADM. MATTERS) (414)
- 1 - New York (100-128821) (FACTIONALISM) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-129802) (COUNTERINTELLIGENCE) (41)
- 1 - New York (100-128817) (MEMBERSHIP) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-95583) (LINE) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-118174) [redacted] (422)
- 1 - New York (100-128813) (PAMPHLETS AND PUBLICATIONS) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-106126) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-144078) (WSCFRC) (41)
- 1 - New York (100-109966) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (97-169) (PUBLISHERS NEW PRESS) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-50842) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-101488) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-70557) [redacted] (412)
- 1 - New York (100-26603-C2003) (424)

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Identity of Source:

Description of info:

Club #1 CP meeting 1/29/62.

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Date Received:

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Original located:

A copy of informant's report follows:

NY 100-26603-C2003

Jan 30, 1962  
New York, N.Y.

There was a meeting of Club #1 C.P. Monday Jan 29, 1962 at the home of [redacted] at the hour of 8:30 P.M. Among those observed present were [redacted] IRVING POTASH SARAH PLOTKIN [redacted] S [redacted]

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The meeting had for its main purpose to hear charges against [redacted] for anti-party activity. [redacted] defended saying that among these [redacted]

The party is in the hands of revisionist leaders. The party had dropped from a membership numbering at one time 80,000 to less 3,000. That the party believes in the 2 party system and underhandally indorses KENNEDY. By naming [redacted] MORT SCHEER it has exposed them as Communist. That the leadership has perpetuated itself in power and expells all those who seek improvement. That the leadership has not changed in 20 years. That the leadership has dissolved itself. That the leadership is old and all those who were expelled were youth being between 35 - 45 yrs whereas the leadership is past 60. He supported the publication of the "Progressive Labor" He said that he would remain in the party if he were allowed to maintain his support of "Progressive Labor". In the discussion that followed he was asked by [redacted] why he and [redacted] [redacted] thought it necessary to form a new Latin organization. This was, [redacted] considered, a splitting & provocative action. IRVING POTASH vigorously supported [redacted] position of such a characterization, SARAH PLOTKIN defended [redacted] but [redacted] challenged such a defense saying that he probably planned the formation for some time using a class that had been formed from Latin members of the West Side Committee for Friendly Relations with Cuba as a recruiting base. All agreed that [redacted] stand was incompatible with his continued membership in the C.P. He was unanimously expelled from the Communist Party. Before he left [redacted] accused [redacted] of being a sexual pervert. IRVING POTASH then told him that one of the members of his group was investigated by the head of his group [redacted] for sexual perversion. After the

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vote was taken he left. Again [redacted] brought up the point of the new Latin organization as a splitting tactic. IRVING suggested a meeting he called of Latin members of the committee to see how this group could be combated.

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The meeting continued with several business items and announcements. Tickets were distributed for the 38 Anniversary celebration of the Worker at Carnegie Hall 57 & 7th Ave. N.Y.C. for Friday March 2, 1962 at 8:00 P.M. Secondly a party to celebrate OAKLEY JOHNSON's 72 birthday at the home of [redacted] Saturday Feb. 17, 1962 at 8:00 P.M., Apt. 6C\_\_

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[redacted] then announced that quotas had been set for the Worker fund and sustaining fund Each member had to give a monthly pledge [redacted] SARAH \$3 [redacted] plus each had to pledge an amount for the Worker: [redacted] SARAH \$35.

[redacted] then spoke about recruitment. She asked if [redacted] had spoken to [redacted] took the opportunity to raise the point about possible recruitment of [redacted] He claimed that in the work of the West Side Committee for Friendly Relations with Cuba they had shown loyal cooperation. [redacted] said it was a point worth considering that [redacted] had gone to a Press Conference and had help distribute the Mid-Week Worker. She said that he would have to be checked further but considered them good prospects. The next meeting will be held at the home of [redacted] Benjamin Franklin Hotel Monday Feb. 19 at 8:30 P.M. The meeting adjourned at 12:30 P.M.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-147513)

Date 2/23/62

FROM: SA [redacted] (#422)

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SUBJECT: MANHATTAN PRESS CLUB  
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Identity of source [redacted]

Description of info

Meeting of Manhattan Press Club, 2/7/62

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Date received: 2/9/62

Original located [redacted]

A copy of informant's report follows:

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- 1 - [redacted] (INV) (422)
- 1 - 97-169 (PUBLISHERS NEW PRESS, INC) (415)
- 1 - 100-133510 [redacted] (421)
- 1 - 100-135340 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 105-4399 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-99801 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-146018 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-146019 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-114956 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-82863 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-133660 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-141221 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-130397 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100- [redacted] (42)
- 1 - 100-95583 (CP, USA LYNE) (415)
- 1 - 100-16785 (JAMES E. JACKSON) (415)
- 1 - 100-144263 (GREATER NEW YORK PRESS CLUB) (41)
- 1 - 100-128314 (CP, USA, NYD FUNDS) (414)
- 1 - 100-147513 (41)

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NY 100-147513

2/9/62


On 2/7/62, a meeting of the Manhattan Press Club was held in Room 9-G, Adelphi Hall, 74 Fifth Ave., NYC.

Present were:



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Discussion was held concerning distribution of the mid-week "Worker" and the response received.

 said that some people on the "Club" level as well as some in the office of "The Worker" had been subpoenaed by the government in an effort by the government to show a connection between the CP and "The Worker". He said that in order to counterattack, the Carnegie Hall affair to be held 3/2/62, will deal with "freedom of the press". He said there will be no Communist speakers. He pointed out that JAMES JACKSON will speak only as an editor, and efforts would be made to get editors from other papers to speak.

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NY 100-147513

[redacted] said she was confused as to the functions of the Greater New York Press Club and the Manhattan Press Club. She said she understood that the Greater New York Press Club raised money for "The Worker" through social affairs, and the Manhattan Press Club had to do with the circulation of "The Worker" and its mid-week edition. [redacted] said that was correct but that eventually the Greater New York Press Club would be dissolved.

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-23303)

3/12/62

Re: [Redacted] (42)

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CP, USA, NYD

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Identity of source [Redacted] Panel Source  
Concern

Description of info Observations re CP, USA NYD

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Date received 3/5/62

Original located [Redacted]

A copy of informant's report follows:

- 1 - [Redacted] (INV) (42)
- 1 - 100-123802 (COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAMS) (41)
- 1 - 100-123804 (CP, USA NYD YOUTH) (414)
- 1 - 100-23303 (CP, USA LINE) (414)
- 1 - 100-123815 (CP, USA NEGRO QUESTION) (414)
- 1 - 100-23303 (41)

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March 2, 1952

I have taken the liberty of reporting some of my own personal observations as noted in various meetings:

1. There is a hard core of about 50 persons who seem to attend all meetings to which I have been present.
2. The one subject that draws the most effect at any meeting is any reference that is made about "anti-semitism" in the Soviet Union. The reaction is one of complete silence.
3. The request is always made to secure as much free publicity as possible in the press in any planned demonstration.
4. The use of high school students as ushers and collectors of funds at these meetings has increased.
5. The cost of rental of halls and meeting places is never given as to amount charged.
6. Advance notice of next meeting of any group is seldom given at close of meetings.
7. The "Worker" is always mentioned at most meetings and all attending are urged to subscribe to and support by their contributions the continued publication of this paper.
8. The description "Bomb Shelter" is always used and never "Fallout Shelter".
9. Any reference made about Mrs. ROOSEVELT, JAMES ROOSEVELT, ADAMI STEVENSON, MARK LANE [redacted] are greeted most favorably.
10. Comments about progress in the U.S.S.R. KHRUSHCHEV and CASTRO are always applauded.
11. Mention of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the House Un-American Committee, JOSEPH MC CARTHY, McCarran or Smith acts are received most unfavorably.

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12. Picture taking of those on the speakers platform and those in the audience has increased as has the taking of notes by the youthful persons attending.

13. The attendance of negroes at any of these meetings is always small.

14. Reference has been made about the Supreme Court and the closeness of the vote on vital issues many times 5 to 4. The conclusion is these people are waiting for the day when the one adverse vote will swing in their direction.

15. Reference is also made to the number of votes in the Soviet Bloc and how this number increases each year. They have high hopes the majority of votes in the United Nations will soon be in the Soviet Bloc, giving the U.S.S.R. the upper hand.

16. Items 14 and 15 are their ultimate objective.

17. Their theme is peaceful co-existence and disarmament.

18. The object of their demonstrating against "Bomb Shelters" is they realize without protection the American people would undergo great losses in the event of nuclear attack.

19. They know America will not strike first.

20. They are a dedicated people to their cause and item two in this report is the one that if given enough coverage and publicity and the theme of "anti-Semitism" in Russia, it will help change the thinking of a great number of these people.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

DATE: 3/2/62

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK

SUBJECT: NEW YORK COUNCIL TO ABOLISH  
UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE (NYCAUAC)  
IS-C  
(OO:NY)

Identity of Source

[Redacted]

Description of info

NYCAUAC sponsored  
reception 2/1/62

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Date Received

2/6/62

Original located

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A copy of informant's report follows:

- 2 - Los Angeles (100- [Redacted]) (NYCAUAC) (RM)
- (1 - 100-16439) (FRANK WILKINSON) (RM)
- 1 - New York [Redacted] (INV) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-91923) [Redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-83801) [Redacted] (421)
- 1 - New York (100- [Redacted])
- 1 - New York (100-144437) [Redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-125507) [Redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-73561) (ABE UNGER) (421)
- 1 - New York (100-108726) [Redacted] (422)
- 1 - New York (100- [Redacted])
- 1 - New York (100-146018) [Redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-146019) [Redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-25780) (CORLISS LAMONT) (41)
- 1 - New York (65-14920) (ALGER HISS) (451)
- 1 - New York (100-84994) (GUS HALL) (415)
- 1 - New York (100- [Redacted])
- 1 - New York (100-95533) (LINE) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-142201) (NYCAUAC) (41)

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WATERS, J	

NY 100-142201

February 4, 1962

A reception for FRANK WILKINSON upon his release from prison, was held at the Palm Gardens, 306 W. 52nd St., New York, N.Y., from 8:45 to 11:30 p.m. by the New York Council to Abolish the House Un-American Activities Committee on Thursday, February 1, 1962. [redacted] the reception, at which [redacted] sang and WILKINSON spoke from 10:05 to 11:25 p.m. Coffee and cake were also served.

Over 500 people attended, including: [redacted]

[redacted] ABE UNGAR, [redacted]  
[redacted] CORLISS LAMONT, ALGER  
HISS and GUS HALL. Photographs and tape recordings were made of the affair. One of the photographers was [redacted] a former newspaperman.

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WILKINSON described his nine months in prison, how nice the other prisoners were, and what an opportunity it was for him to catch up on his reading and to educate himself further. He called for the abolition of the HUAC, and added that there had been times when the Constitution of the United States was "rotten to the core." To illustrate this, he said that it had originally condoned slavery and allowed slaves to be counted in the census as only two-thirds of their actual number, but only for purposes of taxation.

He chided ABRAHAM LINCOLN for offering to allow the Southern states to keep slaves in return for peace, and for issuing the Emancipation Proclamation as a sort of sop after the Civil War had actually started and being willing to hedge on it if any state rejoined the Union.

WILKINSON admitted that his time in prison was his first chance really to read the Constitution and to learn about the First Amendment, which he had taken. He said he took it in answer to whether he was a member of the Communist Party because he felt that as long as anyone could get into trouble by saying "yes" to the question, he thought he would fight for freedom by refusing to answer. He said that everyone at the reception should take a silent vow to take the First Amendment until everyone was free to join the Communist Party, or "any other political party".

MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2003)

Date 3/7/62

FROM: SA [redacted] (#424)

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SUBJECT: CLUB #1 WESTSIDE CP SECTION  
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Identity of source [redacted]

Description of info Club #1 CP meeting, 2/12/62

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Date received 2/19/62

Original located [redacted]

A copy of informant's report follows:

- 1 - [redacted] (INV) (424)
- 1 - 100-26603-C42 (NY COUNTY CP) (421)
- 1 - 100-26603-C1920 (WESTSIDE CP SECTION) (424)
- 1 - 100-88464 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-87097 (SARAH PLOTKIN) (424)
- 1 - 100-7976 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-57965 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-143645 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-114924 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-128818 (LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY) (414)
- 1 - 100-145586 (CONGRESSMAN RYAN) (424)
- 1 - 100-117844 (ASSEMBLYMAN MARK LANE) (424)
- 1 - 100-95583 (LINE) (415)
- 1 - 100-128812 (POLITICAL ACTIVITIES) (414)
- 1 - 100-128823 (DOMESTIC ADM. MATTERS) (414)
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Feb. 13, 1962

There was a meeting of the Communist Party Club #1 at the home of [redacted] Monday night Feb. 12, 1962.

Those observed present were [redacted] SARAH PLOTKIN, [redacted]

[redacted] Before the meeting started [redacted] was overheard to remark that she had been visited by an agent of the FBI. She said that she closed the door in his face and warned that others may be visited and told those present to have nothing to do with them.

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The meeting started at 9:00 p.m. and [redacted] gave a resume of a meeting of club captains. She said the topic discussed was the elections in 1962. The gist of the talk was that the main danger rested in [redacted] and the Republican Party and we should do everything to bring about their defeat. Next important was to help elect progressive candidates and named Congressman RYAN & Assemblyman MARK LANE as the type of candidates that should be given all-out support.

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In a discussion of what should be discussed at the following meetings [redacted] said the question of Albania should be brought up and said that there were rumors going around that those recently expelled were being financed by the Albanian Party. It was decided to continue discussing KRUSCHEV's report on the 22nd meeting of the CP SU.

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Next item taken up was the question of the sustaining fund. All present paid part of their pledges. [redacted] were observed giving [redacted] which also included the dues for February. No receipts were issued. SARAH raised the question of whether records were being kept. [redacted] said the since the party was still legal some kind of record must be kept of funds but there were no lists.

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She also said that the country had some kind of executive committee. [redacted] announced the Carnigie Hall meeting of Mar: 2 Friday night at Carnegie Hall on the anniversary of the Worker. She said that at least  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the pledges must be in. She said the club's quota was \$15,00 and asked [redacted] if they could give \$15.00. The others having given various ammounts. She again announced the OAKLEY JOHNSON party at the home of [redacted] [redacted] for Feb. 17, Saturday, 1962 and urged all to attend.

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A short discussion of the recent meeting held by the West Side Committee for Friendly Relation with Cuba. It was agreed it was an outstanding success and praise was given [redacted] for her short speech. [redacted] raised the question of whether [redacted] was trying to wreck the committee. She was criticized for bringing personal matters in the issue and was told her tactics would wreck the committee. The meeting ended at 11:30 p.m.. The next meeting will be held at the home of SARAH FLOTKIN, 119 W. 106 St. NYC at 8:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 26, 1962.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-80641)

Date 3/12/62

FROM: SA [redacted] (#424)

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SUBJECT: CP, USA ORGANIZATION  
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Identity of source [redacted]

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Feb. 27, 1962

There was a closed meeting of the Manhattan Communist Party admission by invitation only held Feb. 26, 1962, Monday night at the Hotel Greystone, 91 & Broadway, NYC. The meeting was to begin at 7:30. [redacted] were observed entering at about 7:45 p.m. while the speaker GUS HALL had begun his speech. His speech was a recapitulation of his recent western tour where he was invited to speak to various colleges in the Far West. WILLIAM PATTERSON acted as chairman. Coffee and cake were served and a collection was taken to pay for the refreshments. There were about 200 people present.

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Among those observed present. were:

[redacted] BETTY GANNET [redacted]  
[redacted]  
SARAH PLOTKIN [redacted] JACK STACHEL, LOUIS  
WEINSTOCK, JAMES ALLEN, IRVING POTASH, [redacted] JESUS  
COLON, [redacted]  
ARNOLD JOHNSON, [redacted]  
[redacted] GUS HALL, WILLIAM PATTERSON, [redacted] GEORGE  
MORRIS, [redacted]

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GUS HALL said that his trip was very inspiring, and wherever he went great crowds waited to hear in spite of the constant rain. The format of the meetings were usually the same. He would speak for about 20 or 30 minutes, there would be a rebuttal and then a question & answer period. He said that the people wanted to hear a representative voice from the communist movement, not 3 or 4 speakers on an anti-communist theme. He pointed out what one student said that Communism was here to stay and the best would be to hear it from a representative of such a movement. He said the principal danger to the U.S. was from the ultra-right. He said that the rightist movement had begun a movement in the West in which he said millions of dollars were invested and they had expected it to roll out throughout the entire U.S., but they had

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suffered a disasterous set back so that many legislators are shedding the label of conservative. He said that the students now realize the existence of 2 different systems the socialist & the capitalist system and are beginning to see the need for powerful co-existence, the need for peace and disarmament. Most of his speech was devoted to incidents that occurred being met in a football stadium by at least 15,000 people. And of an old gentlemen that offered \$5,000,000 to refuse to allow HALL to speak later he promised to pay HALL's expenses on a return trip and lecture. HALL towards the end of his speech said before there were 3 conditions for ~~disarmament~~ <sup>& Disarmament</sup> to get elected support from the reform movement, labor and Negro groups - he said that KENNEDY probably wouldn't have been elected without support of the Negro groups and now must be added to further conditions, he must be for peace and against the ultra-right. He likened the present situation to a turbulent river where there safe patches where one couldn't do much but one must get out in the middle and struggle & fight. Wherever he met he was most cordially received by large crowds. Students have awakened to the need for integration as witnessed by the Freedom Riders. He closed with the remarks about the river and hope that we would-the audience-get in the middle of the river & struggle & fight.

There was the collection after the speech for the refreshments. PATTERSON announced the Worker anniversary meeting at Carnegie Hall for Mar. 2 at 8:00 p.m. Friday night. He announced a counter-picket line to the meeting of Young America at Madison Square Garden March 7 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting was over at 10:15 p.m.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-80641)

Date 3/12/62

FROM: SA [redacted] (#424)

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Feb 27, 1962  
New York City

On Feb 26, Monday, 1962, at 7:30 p.m. the Manhattan Communist Party held a private meeting in the Hotel Greystone at 91 St. & Broadway, NYC. Admission by invitation only. [redacted]

[redacted] were observed going inside about 7:45 p.m. while the speaker GUS HALL was already speaking on the platform. His speech was all about his recently trip to the West Coast his experiences & invitations to different colleges & Halls, football playgrounds, Stadiums etc. He spoke about 2½ hours. WILLIAM PATTERSON was the chairman. Coffee & cake were served, a collection was taken to pay expenses & for the refreshment. About 200 people were present. Among those observed were BETTY GANNETT. [redacted]

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[redacted] SARAH PLOTKIN, JACK STACHEL, LOU WEINSTOCK, JAMES ALLEN, IRVING POTASH, [redacted] JESUS COLON, [redacted] [redacted] ARNOLD JOHNSON, OAKLEY JOHNSON, [redacted] [redacted] GEORGE MORRIS, GUS HALL, WILLIAM PATTERSON, [redacted]

GUS HALL said that his trip was a very large success wherever he went great crowds greeted him and invitations to speak in spite that was raining continuously. Always there were the young people asking questions about the activities of the Communist Party, they told him, that they want to hear from a communist a point of opinion, they don't want to hear from an Anti-Communist person so GUS HALL said he answer all kinds of questions one student said that communism was here to stay so better get use to the idea for better understanding he said the danger to the USA is from the ultra-rights they are spending millions of dollars in propaganda but until now had suffered a disastrous set back because the American people didn't respond very enthusiastic they way they are expected the

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students now realize the existence of 2 different systems Socialist & Capitalist the need for peaceful co-existence and disarmament. He said at one of his speak there were about 15,000 young people in the football stadium, that an old gentleman offered \$5,000,000 to refuse GUS HALL to speak, but anyhow he went there to speak and answer questions from the students, later this old gentleman offer to HALL to pay all expenses on the return trip & lecture. GUS HALL said they are 5 ways or conditions for a Democrat to get elected first Independent party, Reform movement, labor party, Negro groups and last no support from the ultra-rights. He said wherever he went he was cordially received by large crowds. He said all the communist should get ready to struggle for their beliefs and fight hard, not stay indoors without any action he had a hope that all young people be on this struggle for peace and understanding among all people of the world. PATTERSON announced the Worker anniversary meeting, at Carnegie Hall for March 2, at 8:00 p.m. and announced a counter-picket line to the meeting of young American at Madison Square Garden, March 7. The meeting ended at 10:15 p.m.

Cover Sheet for Informant Report or Material

FD-306 (3-21-59)

TO: SAC, BOSTON (100-7908)

DATE: 2/16/62

FROM: SA DARREL B. CURRIE

RE: CPUSA, NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT  
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	Date(s) of activity  2/18/62

Brief description of activity or material  Report of District Committee Meeting,  CPUSA, New England District, held 2/18/62  at Randolph, Massachusetts	File where original is located if not attached  [Redacted]
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Remarks:

In view of the sensitivity of this informant, the utmost care should be utilized to carefully paraphrase this information prior to dissemination in order to protect the identity of the informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past.

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"C.P. District Committee Meeting of 2/18/62

"The group met at the home of [REDACTED] in Randolph, Mass. on the above date.

"Those that attended were - Anne B. Timpson, Otis Hood, [REDACTED] plus, Arnold Johnson.

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"Agenda: The Mc Carran Act report - [REDACTED] expelled case - Report on finance - Checkup.

"Report on Mc Carran Act case by Arnold Johnson of New York.

"Arnold Johnson: According to some of the positions taken by the Court, we communists must not underestimate the present seriousness and the possibilities of things becoming worse or even rough in the future. The National Office of the Communist Party carefully notes that delayed actions by the Court indicates that the Court is running into many road blocks in its efforts to build the case. Inasmuch as no one has registered or attempted to do so it is clear that the old attitude of fright has been replaced with courage. It is too early to say what the result in this respect will be. No attempts have been made by the Communist Party to comply in the mail labeling, of which the future results remain to be seen. By law, the procedures and time elements signifies that it will probably be after the 1964 Presidential election before this case will really be heard. Nevertheless this does not mean that the fight is over nor that less interest should be given.

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"In fact, the National leadership is taking up measures of defense, security, etc. For instance, no one will seek to be announced or identified publicly as a certain or particular officer of the Communist Party but rather a spokesman in that nature. And whenever some one is to appear before the Un-American Activities Committee, be it an ex-officer or an ex-member on whatever level he, she, or they must be supported. In such instances it is not to say that some one in Massachusetts has to hire a lawyer in that state to go to Washington with the victim, rather the terms are to be worked out with the National Office of the C.P.

"Whenever any one is summonsed it is not to say that the summons can be ignored. It is not that simple, the summons must be respected according to due process of law. Only do this without fright. It would be foolish to do otherwise.

"In view of the fact that this whole Mc Carran case is the work of the extreme right in and out of the present administration, there will be pressure by the extreme right all along until the case is settled, win or lose. We Communists insist that the Mc Carran Act can and must be ultimately defeated. And the continued fight for freedom and democratic rights in the future will prove just that.

"Present status of [redacted] by Anne B. Timpson:

[redacted] is unquestionably expelled from the Communist Party. Any actions in any nature on this are out of the hands of the Club or District Committee. The National Office is the only place for any further actions with [redacted] Security wise there is a different view taken on publicly announcing. The matter will not appear in the 'Worker' as previously planned.

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"Financial report by Anne B. Timpson: (a written report will be given to D. C. Officers to be presented to the clubs).

"Check up started by [redacted]

[redacted] spoke in an appealing manner as he

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related the present picture of an inadequate set up of the District Committee of the Communist Party in New England which needs assistance directly by the National Office. He pointed out that activities in general are seriously lagging with no sign of improvement in sight. The issue of a full time District Organizer was presented by [redacted] for consideration.

[redacted] supported with a similar argument. Anne B. Timpson followed in part as she made some corrections. There was no opposition to the frame work of the discussion.

"Arnold Johnson agreed willingly to put the subject before the National Office in New York.

"Some proposals were made:

"No. 1. Try to get a date at Harvard University for a Communist Speaker.

"No. 2. Make a business deal to get the Worker on local news stands, especially near Harvard University.

"No. 3. Plan to utilize the pictures that Lewis Johnson made while traveling abroad.

"No. 4. Use trail way bus for transporting the Worker instead of train service.

"This change in transporting the Worker is intended to step up efficiency and economy in delivery based on the personal experience of [redacted] who is a newspaper man by self introduction at this meeting.

[redacted] submitted two requests to assist in the struggle to keep the Worker alive locally.

"In a statement in regard to raising funds, [redacted] reiterated that the best way to raise money would be by entertainment of the masses instead of trying to talk people out of their purse.

"Therefore a bit of production is to be forthcoming on the photography of [redacted]

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"This is all the information I have at the present time."

All necessary action has been taken with respect to the above information.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C43)  
FROM: SA [redacted] (#422)  
SUBJECT: KINGS COUNTY CP  
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On 3/7/62, there was a meeting of the Kings County Communist Party Administrative Committee, held at the residence of [REDACTED]

The following were present: [REDACTED] MURRAY ROSENBERG, [REDACTED] CONNIE BART, DANNY RUBEL, who chaired the meeting and BETTY GANNETT, a representative of the state Party Organization.

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MURRAY announced that the press group would be visiting individuals in an attempt to secure subscriptions for the Worker. He said that the clubs in the country would be visited in this effort.

BETTY announced that the Worker Fund Drive as of 3/2/62 (Kings County portion) had raised \$2251- a bit more than the goal of 1/3/ to have been raised by 3/2/62. She announced that the following contributions toward this total had been made:

Crown Heights \$462  
Bath Beach \$308  
Brighton Beach \$230  
Boro Park \$210  
Bedford (17th AD) \$179  
Bedford (6th AD) \$147  
Brownsville \$138  
Coney Island \$100  
Manhattan Beach \$80  
Flatbush \$75  
ENY \$20  
Boro Hall \$15  
Miscellaneous \$325 (including \$88 from BETTY GANNETT)

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BETTY indicated the dissatisfaction of the state organization with those units in the above list from Coney Island to the end. She also announced that she was transferred, effective immediately, to the Boro Hall Club. By 5/3/62 each club must have a total of 2/3 of their quota paid.

BETTY also said that GUS HALL was dissatisfied with the work of the Party in New York. He was quoted as saying that New York was good in financial matters but behind in Party activity. As a result of this, each county must call a meeting of its administrative committee with key people in mass work to consider the following:

1. Objective of the club in the community.
2. What mass or fraternity groups are available in the community and who are its leaders - what is the relationship with these groups.
3. Is the club used for guidance in mass organization work or do Party members work therein as individuals.
4. Can we grow? What is standing in our way?
5. Review the system of leadership at county and club levels and how to improve it.

It was decided that the Kings County meeting would be on 3/23/62.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2003)

Date 4/2/62

FROM: SA [redacted] (#424)

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SUBJECT: WESTSIDE CP SECTION CLUB #1  
IS -C

Identity of source [redacted]

Description of info 3/26/62, meeting of West Side CP Club #1 b7D

Date received 3/29/62

Original located [redacted]

A copy of informant's report follows:

- 1 - [redacted] (INV) (424)
- 1 - 100-26603-C42 (NY CTY. CP) (421)
- 1 - 100-26603-C1920 (WESTSIDE CP SECTION) (424)
- 1 - 100-88464 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-87097 (SARAH PLOTKIN) (424)
- 1 - 100-143645 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-57965 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-7976 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-114924 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-128314 (FUNDS) (415)
- 1 - 100-13483 (BETTY GANNETT) (414)
- 1 - 100-95583 (LINE) (415)
- 1 - 100-128823 (DOMESTIC ADM. MATTERS) (415)
- 1 - 100-107419 (ECLC) (41)
- 1 - 97-169 (PUBLISHERS NEW PRESS) (415)
- 1 - 100-26603-C2003 (424)

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March 27, 1962  
New York, NY

The WestSide CP Club No. 1 held a meeting at the home of [redacted] March 26, 1962, Monday night. Among those observed present, SARAH PLOTKIN, [redacted]

[redacted] started selling literature then the meeting started by [redacted] gave a report of a speech made by BETTY GANNETT to assembled captains. [redacted] was collecting money to the members of their monthly sustaining fund to the party. The meeting started at 8:30 p.m. The main theme was the danger to civil liberties came from the ultra-right. SARAH PLOTKIN said the party leadership was not blaming the KENNEDY administration and pointing out that in the past elections they had adopted a policy of lesser evil. All complimented the party leadership on their behaviour on the recent attack against the party. All members were urged to write to newspapers against the McCarran Act and send the printed post cards to president KENNEDY. The Emergency Civil Liberties committee will held a meeting April 13, 1962, Friday night at the Hotel New Yorker admission will be \$2.50 all said was to expensive, [redacted] said since not everybody can spend that money, they should not give a donation or contribution inside. The campaign for the Sunday Worker will start in April. The next meeting will be held at the home of [redacted] [redacted] April 9, 1962, The meeting ended at 10:45 p.m.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2003) Date 4/4/62

FROM: SA [redacted] (#424)

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SUBJECT: WESTSIDE CP SECTION CLUB #1  
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Identity of source [redacted]

Description of info Club #1, West Side CP meeting,  
3/26/62

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Date received 3/29/62

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- 1 - 100-7976 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-114924 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-128813 (PAMPHLETS & PUBLICATIONS) (415)
- 1 - 100-128804 (YOUTH MATTERS) (415)
- 1 - 100-128314 (FUNDS) (415)
- 1 - 100-13483 (BETTY GANNETT) (414)
- 1 - 100-95583 (LINE) (415)
- 1 - 100-128823 (DOMESTIC ADM MATTERS) (415)
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Mar. 27, 1962  
New York, NY

There was a meeting of the West Side CP Club #1 at the home of [redacted] Mar. 26, 1962, night.

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Before the meeting, at which the following were observed present, [redacted] SARAH PLOTKIN, [redacted] [redacted], SARAH PLOTKIN sold literature, a new magazine "New Horizons for Youth" was offered for sale. SARAH particularly stressed the need for purchasing it as it would help the "Youth organizations". [redacted] then collected money for the sustaining fund. [redacted] were observed paying their monthly sustaining fund to [redacted]. The meeting then started at 8:30 p.m. [redacted] gave a report of a speech made by BETTY GANNETT to assembled captains. The main theme was the main danger to civil liberties came from the ultra-right. In the discussion that followed SARAH PLOTKIN claimed the party leadership was not also blaming the KENNEDY administration and pointing out that in the past elections they had adopted a policy of the lesser evil. All agreed in the discussion that the party should point out the dangers of the KENNEDY administration but all agreed that the main danger came from the ultra-right. All complimented the party leadership on their behaviour in the face of recent attacks against the party.

On the question of expanding the neighborhood committee for civil liberties a meeting will be called for the Manhattan "area" since there is no more county to reach well known people. Members were urged to write to the newspapers against the McCarran Act, they were also urged to send the printed post-cards to President KENNEDY. The Emergency Civil Liberties Committee will have a meeting April 13, Friday night at the Hotel New Yorker. Since the admission will be \$2.50 [redacted] suggested that people go pay their admission and not give a donation.

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Assignments were given to the members who pledged an hour a month to sell the Sunday Worker; the campaign starts in April.

The next meeting will be held at the home of [redacted] [redacted] April 9, 1962. The meeting adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

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MEMORANDUM

Date: APR 14 1962

TO : SAC, BUFFALO (100-4379-71)

FROM : SA KENNETH P. GLENNON

SUBJECT: CP, USA  
NEW YORK DISTRICT  
BUFFALO DIVISION  
EDUCATION  
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16 - New York (RM)

- (1 - 100- , CUBAN ACTIVITIES)
- (1 - 100- , EDUCATION)
- (1 - 100-84994, GUS HALL)
- (1 - 100- , BETTY GANNETT)
- (1 - 100- , CP LINE)
- (1 - 100-128815, NEGRO QUESTION)
- (1 - 100-128817, MEMBERSHIP)
- (1 - 100-128821, FACTIONALISM)
- (1 - 100-56579, PHIL BART)
- (1 - 100-16785, JAMES JACKSON)
- (1 - 100- , [REDACTED])
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- (1 - 100-15296, [REDACTED])
- (1 - 100-15297, [REDACTED])
- (1 - 100-12317, [REDACTED])
- (1 - 100-11900, [REDACTED])
- (1 - 100-12077, [REDACTED])
- (1 - 100-2080, [REDACTED])
- (1 - 100-3934, [REDACTED])
- (1 - 100-14568, [REDACTED])
- (1 - 100-10974, BETTY GANNETT)
- (1 - 100-10958, GUS HALL)
- (1 - 100-4379-92, CP LINE)
- (1 - 100-4379-75, NEGRO QUESTION)
- (1 - 100-4379-68, MEMBERSHIP)
- (1 - 100-4379-88, FACTIONALISM)
- (1 - 105-2786, CUBAN ACTIVITIES)
- (1 - 100-10581, PHIL BART)
- (1 - 100-10931, JAMES JACKSON)

- (1 - 100-17701, (US VS. CP, USA) b6  
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- (1 - 100-4379-106, COMINFIL MASS ORGS)
- (1 - 100-4379-76, YOUTH MATTERS)

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Source	[redacted]
Reliability	Has provided reliable information in the past
Conceal	Yes
Material	Oral report reduced to writing
Received by	SAs KENNETH P. GLENNON and GORDON J. LACEY
Date received	3/12/62
Date of report	3/12/62
Date of activity	3/10/62
Date authenticated	3/20/62
Location	[redacted]

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[redacted] Set forth below verbatim is a report received from [redacted] regarding an educational meeting of the ECCP with BETTY GANNETT. There was an evaluation of the first year of the Kennedy administration.

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"Buffalo, New York  
March 12, 1962

"On Saturday, March 10, 1962, there was a CP meeting at the home of [redacted]. The following people were at this meeting: [redacted]

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[redacted] and Betty Gannett from New York City.

"The main topic of the meeting was an evaluation of the first year of the Kennedy administration. This evaluation was based upon a draft report written by Gus Hall, of which one copy was in the Buffalo area. Due to the fact that a number of the people at the meeting had not read the report, Betty Gannett, who had a copy of her own, read the report in toto. The gist of the report is that it seems to present a balanced analysis of the Kennedy administration in its first year in office. According to Gus Hall, the basic aims of American imperialism still continue, that is for world domination, but that what is new in the situation and new that confronts the Kennedy administration is the new balance on a world scale of the forces between capitalism and socialism. This is called by Gus Hall the new epoch.

"In Hall's analysis of the Kennedy administration he underscores that the Kennedy administration is not a fascist administration, it is not moving in the direction of a fascist form of government, but that at the same time there are elements within the capitalist group in this country and there are hanger ons who are seeking to push the Kennedy administration in this direction. This group is referred to by the Party as the ultra right. According to Gus Hall, the Kennedy administration still has a sizeable following in the trade union movement. There has been no decisive break by the trade unions with the Kennedy administration; that this is a factor that will act as a brake upon the Kennedy administration's movement to the right.

"Gus Hall characterized the Kennedy administration as attempting to pursue a policy of minor concessions to the people on a domestic level while at the same time pursuing and continuing the cold war policies of the former administrations. According to Gus Hall, the U. S. share of the world market is dwindling; competition within the capitalists' sphere of the world market is intensifying; the United States is seeking to bring forward West Germany as the dominant partner in the Atlantic community, pushing the British out from their former positions. According to Gus Hall, this can only be accomplished at the expense of the living conditions of the American people, in particular the American working class.

"According to Gus Hall, the new epoch makes it necessary for all Marxists and all Communist Parties throughout the world to view the facts and the relationship of forces within the world scene on this basis; this does not mean that many of the basic tenets of Marxism and Leninism are obsolete, rather these have to be adjusted to fit the new situation that exists.

"According to Betty Gannett, one of the things being done in the Party is that the State and National Office are reviewing methods and style of work up and down the ladder of the Party in an effort

"apparently to break out of its isolation that it presently is in, and particularly in terms of trying to develop a rapprochement with certain liberal socialist groupings around the country.

"There were a number of questions raised by the people at the meeting dealing with the lack of emphasis in Gus Hall's report on the role of the working class within the past year of the Kennedy administration. Questions were raised in relationship to the Negro people's movement in the Kennedy administration. Some of these questions were fielded by Betty Gannett and some were allowed to pass by.

"On the question of the working class, in Gus Hall's report, she took the position that the paramount issue of the day is War and Peace; that the Party must recognize and be ready to work with any and all groups in the social strata who are ready to move on peace, and she said it is a fact in this country today that the peace movement does not find its most vocal expression amongst the working class but rather amongst certain intellectual groupings within the middle class sections of the population. She said this does not mean that the Party has given up the struggle for the involvement of the working class in the peace campaign, the peace movement.

"According to Betty Gannett, the Party is dying faster than it is being born. The rate of attrition is greater than its recruitment. According to Betty Gannett, there has been an improvement in the mass work of the Party, and by this she meant primarily the mass work of Party individuals as differentiated from the Party as a whole, but the Party is not registering any growth in membership as a result of this mass work being done by individual Communists. She said only amongst the youth, and there primarily through the school in New York, are they growing.

"On the internal situation in the Party, Betty Gannett reported that [redacted] has appealed her suspension from activity to the State Committee. [redacted] has asked to be relieved of all State responsibilities and returned to rank and file status.

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"About [redacted] Jack Shulman, Gannett said [redacted] was formerly the organizer for the Manhattan County CP; both of these people have agreed to disassociate themselves from the [redacted] group and will prepare a public statement; whether this means public in the sense of issuing it to the press or whether this means public in the sense of issuing it to the Party and then the Party will be responsible for disseminating it, is not known, but they will issue a public statement to this effect.

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"On the other hand, with [redacted] she apparently wants to remain in the Party but at the same time has not displayed sufficient hostility to the anti-Party group and remorse for her association with the anti-Party faction. According to Betty Gannett, [redacted] is a very slippery character, [redacted] has failed to issue a statement for the Party, and, according to Betty Gannett, it is quite likely that she will be expelled for failure to do this.

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"Betty Gannett went into some other things. She made mention of the fact that there were a group of young Cubans on the west side, I suspect they are probably in the Chelsea area, which has been meeting with [redacted] and who [redacted] turned over to [redacted] and he was conducting the classes with this group. Apparently [redacted] are a part of this anti-Party faction that was kicked out. The Party was very much worried about this young Cuban group and through some of the youth contacts in the Party they re-established contact with a couple of members of this Cuban group, and, according to Betty Gannett, had a very long and fruitful discussion with them. As a result of this discussion these young Cuban individuals went back to the Cuban group and transmitted the discussion they had had with the Party people to this group and this group agreed to cease meeting with [redacted] and agreed to accept Jesus Colon as the leader of classes. According to Betty Gannett, these young Cubans intend to go back to Cuba and this is why they were so anxious to switch over to the Party because they did not want to go back to Cuba with the stigma of having been under the heel of an anti-Party faction in New York City.

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"According to Betty Gannett, the trial of the CP as an organization has been indefinitely postponed. On the other hand the Government has developed a new tactic. They are calling people before the Federal Grand Jury in Washington, D.C. and asking them certain questions. When these people invoke their privilege against self incrimination, the Federal Attorney then goes to the Federal Court and gets an immunity granted to these people. This has happened to Phil Bart and James Jackson. These people are then taken back to the Grand Jury, the questions are asked again and when they refuse on the personal privilege against self incrimination, they are then hauled before the Judge and sentenced for contempt. She indicated the Party is appealing the contempt citations. According to Betty Gannett, 30 or more people, most of them in the New York area, had been subpoenaed. Of these apparently 7 people from 6 clubs were subpoenaed to testify in Washington."

Copies of this memorandum have been designated for the New York Office in view of its interest in individuals mentioned therein.

In the event of dissemination of any of this information by any means, it should be very carefully paraphrased to prevent identification of the informant.

With regard to identification of BETTY GANNETT in an official capacity, [redacted] observed: GANNETT was not formally introduced to the group assembled and has never been formally introduced in any official capacity. She is generally recognized by CP members in Buffalo as a representative of the State CP and a spokesman therefor, and formal introduction and identification are unnecessary.

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For this particular meeting, [redacted] advised on 4/9/62 that [redacted] at this meeting.

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MEMORANDUM  
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEWARK

DATE: 4/18/62

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-102320)

SUBJECT: CP, USA VS. SACB  
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Identity of Source [redacted] who has furnished reliable info in the past (conceal)

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Description of Info Activities at CP, USA headquarters, NYC, on 4/2/62

Date Received 4/3/62

Received by SA [redacted] (orally)

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A copy of informant's oral report follows:

- 1 - Newark [redacted] (RM)
- 1 - [redacted] (INV.) (41)
- 1 - NY 100-84994 (GUS HALL) (415) (p. 2,3,4)
- 1 - NY 100-18065 (JACK STACHEL) (415) (p. 2,5)
- 1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (415) (p. 2,4)
- 1 - NY 100-23825 (BEN DAVIS) (415) (p. 2,5)
- 1 - NY 100-1696 (ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN) (415) (p. 2,4)
- 1 - NY 100-27452 (ROBERT GEORGE THOMPSON) (415) (p. 2,5)
- 1 - NY 100-16785 (JAMES JACKSON) (415) (p. 2)
- 1 - NY 100-9595 (WILLIAM WEINSTONE) (415) (p. 2)
- 1 - NY 100-48033 (IRVING POTASH) (415) (p. 2)
- 1 - NY 100-16021 (ARNOLD JOHNSON) (415) (p. 2)
- 1 - NY 100-95583 (CP, USA - LINE) (415) (p. 5,6)
- 1 - NY 100-6562 (CP OF PUERTO RICO) (413) (p. 3,5)
- 1 - NY 100-102320 (415)

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April 3, 1962

The following information was obtained at CP, USA headquarters, New York City, on April 2, 1962:

During the period from about one to five p.m. on April 2, 1962, there was in session what should be considered a CP, USA National Board meeting. It was held in the third floor board room. Those present were:

GUS HALL  
JACK STACHEL  
PHIL BART  
BEN DAVIS  
ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN  
ROBERT THOMPSON

JAMES JACKSON was also present from about one to four p.m.

In the course of this meeting, the board dealt with the following persons, individually:

PAT TOOHEY  
WILLIAM WEINSTONE  
IRVING POTASH  
ARNOLD JOHNSON

JOHNSON, while before the board, probably discussed the peace movement, CP front activity, and legislative and political activities.

POTASH probably discussed before the board trade union problems.

PAT TOOHEY appeared before the board and discussed his forthcoming trip to Puerto Rico as a representative of the CP, USA. In the discussion of this trip, all members present used the blackboard to write key words, and thus maintained a high state of security during the proceedings.

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With regard to Puerto Rico, HALL stated that for some time the situation surrounding the Puerto Rican Communist Party (PRCP) has been assuming more and more of an urgency. He said there has been serious criticism of the CP,USA for political neglect and lack of understanding of its role toward the PRCP. Much of this criticism, he said, has come from the Cuban and other Latin American CP's. He said that severe criticism has come from "elsewhere" (meaning Moscow). The CP,USA can no longer ignore the criticism of these other parties and "we" must urgently accept "our" responsibility.

According to Hall, Cuba and the Latin American CP's have no confidence in Juan Santos Rivera and other PRCP leaders. They have no confidence in their ability, line, outlook or approach. The CP,USA cannot neglect the Puerto Rican Party any longer. The CP,USA has been sending modest amounts of money to the PRCP but this is a bare minimum.

He said that TOOHEY, in a previous trip to Puerto Rico, made a good investigation of the situation there, and furnished an excellent report. However, due to the pressure of current events and activities against the Party, the CP,USA has ignored Puerto Rico. HALL said that the CP,USA must send someone there for at least five or six months, as an official representative of the CP,USA. He must have full authority and must try to do everything possible to draw together the present cadre of the PRCP, possibly establish a new cadre, and look into all needs of this Party, and keep the CP,USA advised. He said that this cannot be a quick trip of a few days.

The obvious candidate for such an assignment he said, is PAT TOOHEY, who has a historic association with Puerto Rico, is well known there, and has extensive knowledge of the Party and the territory. HALL said TOOHEY is the only one whom the Puerto Ricans freely accept, without reservation. He said while there is little dispute about



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TOOHEY's qualifications, his absence from New Jersey raises certain questions. He said in TOOHEY's absence, what problems would there be in the New Jersey CP situation? The Party realizes the unique role TOOHEY plays in New Jersey; his being the only one able to stand in the middle and mediate the two opposing forces. At this point, HALL suggested that PHIL BART continue the discussion on New Jersey.

BART stated that he agrees with HALL that TOOHEY is an excellent candidate for the Puerto Rican trip, but he added he is concerned with the New Jersey situation. He said due to the health of TOOHEY, he cannot do as much to settle the Party in New Jersey as he would like to do. He said that the New Jersey Party needs a full-time person able to withstand the assaults from the opposition, someone younger and in better health, and thus better able to handle the day-to-day fight there. He said he does not mean that TOOHEY could not handle it, and he is certainly aware of TOOHEY's stabilizing influence in New Jersey, but he feels the work is too much for him. BART continued that the Party does not want TOOHEY to leave until arrangements can be made for someone to substitute for him as New Jersey State CP Chairman. TOOHEY, he said, will remain in the New Jersey setup as possibly an "elder statesman."

BART continued that, in his mind, an excellent candidate for the New Jersey chairmanship would be [redacted] who is a "well-known workhorse" in the Philadelphia area. He said Philadelphia, too, needs a "blood transfusion;" needs new, young blood. He advised that [redacted] desires to leave Philadelphia in order to be separated from her husband. In addition, she will bring with her her daughter, who is a teen-age youth leader in Party activity in Philadelphia. This daughter could be a great help to the New Jersey Party, since there is at present very little youth activity in New Jersey.

ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN stated that she is aware of TOOHEY's long association with Puerto Rico, and is certain that he will do an excellent job on his assignment there.

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She also spoke in favor of the transfer of

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BEN DAVIS stated that TOOHEY has done a great job in New Jersey and he knows he will do an excellent job in Puerto Rico.

JACK STACHEL advised that he is fully in favor of the Puerto Rican trip, and is concerned that the CP,USA had to be prodded to activity on Puerto Rico. He said the main responsibility is "ours." Puerto Rico will be a great future responsibility. He recalled that TOOHEY and he had discussed Puerto Rico and what must be done there as early as 1936. He pointed out that the result of TOOHEY's trip to Puerto Rico in 1936 was the actual formation of the PRCP and the exclusion of certain dissident elements there. He said if anyone should represent the CP,USA in Puerto Rico, it should be TOOHEY. He added, however, that he should go there openly, ostensibly for the purposes of regaining his health and gathering material for a book. He should be, in effect, the official representative of the CP,USA, authorized to speak for the CP,USA, and this should be understood by all. THOMPSON succinctly agreed that TOOHEY should represent the CP,USA in Puerto Rico.

HALL then summed up that it was agreed TOOHEY will represent the CP,USA on his trip to Puerto Rico. He should consider staying in Puerto Rico from four to six months. HALL said the CP,USA will now work out the administrative ends of this trip and that TOOHEY should not depart for Puerto Rico until plans have been finalized, which should be in about six weeks.

In lateral discussions by this board, and during coffee breaks, it was learned from GUS HALL that the CP,USA is seeking a mechanism to supplant the national convention. Due to the present prosecution of the Party by the United States Government, an open convention is out of the question. In its place, HALL stated the CP,USA will create a series of responsible committees, to handle specific

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subjects, such as political action, legislative matters, organization, and so forth. These committees will be called review committees, and will review all existing work of the CP, USA. He said they are not to be confused with the old Party review commission, which was established to handle matters of discipline. These review committees will examine the specific subjects assigned to them and will prepare reports to be presented to the National Board. The National Board will then act upon these reports and the end result will be, in effect, the development of any new Party line. These review committees should have their work finished and their reports prepared within the next six weeks.

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Pertinent portions of the above information were furnished the Bureau, San Juan and Philadelphia in NY airtel to the Director, FBI, dated 4/4/62.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2003)

Date 4/18/62

FROM: SA [redacted] (#424)

SUBJECT: CLUB #1, WESTSIDE CP SECTION  
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Identity of source [redacted]

Description of info West Side Club #1 CP meeting  
4/9/62

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Date received 4/12/62

Original located [redacted]

A copy of informant's report follows:

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- 1 - [redacted] (INV) (424)
- 1 - 100-57965 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-87097 (SARAH PLOTKIN) (424)
- 1 - 100-143645 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-7976 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-114924 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-88464 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-128314 (FUNDS) (415)
- 1 - 97-169 (PUBLISHERS NEW PRESS) (415)
- 1 - 100-95583 (LINE) (415)
- 1 - 100-128823 (DOMESTIC ADM MATTERS) (415)
- 1 - 100-148098 (1962 LABOR & PEOPLES COMM. FOR MAY DAY) (41)
- 1 - 100-9645 (HUGO GELLERT) (352)
- 1 - 100-15828 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-145082 (CCCL) (41)
- 1 - 100-107419 (ECLC) (41)
- 1 - 100-144078 (WSCFR) (41)
- 1 - 100-125507 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-26603-C72 (NY CTY. CP) (421)
- 1 - 100-26603-C1920 (WESTSIDE CP SECT) (421)
- 1 - 100-84994 (GUS HALL) (415)
- 1 - 100-26603-C2003 (424)

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NY 100-26603-C2003

April 10, 1962

There was a meeting of the West Side Club #1 CP April 9, 1962, at 8:30 p.m. Monday at the home of [redacted]

Among those observed present were [redacted]

SARAH PLOTKIN, [redacted]

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Before the meeting started [redacted] collected dues for April, money on pledges for the Worker and sustaining fund. She stressed the necessity for donating on pledges due to the situation with the Worker; it needing funds for its publication.

[redacted] lead a discussion on the Albanian Chinese, Russian question. She quoted at length from a publication of the British Communist Party which assessed Albania of left déviationism and blackening the reputation of KRUSCHEV, & the Russian CP. She stated that the principal question was the issue of peace and universal disarmament not of putting rational liberation. Albania was accused of helping the imperialist nations by sturring over the need of peace. China was also criticized for stating the atom bomb was a paper tiger and if war did break out in spite of the terrible losses, she would win. In the discussion that followed SARAH questioned whether KRUSCHEV was infallible and could not make mistakes. All agreed that it would be better if the question was solved in secret negotiation without exposing the "dirty linen" to the public. Such a course could not help world peace. All present at the end agreed that Russian position was the correct one and that Albania & China should be condemned for their attitude.

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[redacted] gave an election report. The only important item was the possibility of a candidate to run against POWELL in Harlem. She stressed the necessity of supporting reform candidates.

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SARAH gave a brief report of the May Day conference. It will be held May Day May 1 at Union Square from 4-8 p.m. It will be dedicated to "Freedom of the Press". The chairman was named as HUGO GELLERT [redacted]

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On carrying out assignments for selling the Worker [redacted] were assigned Friday April 20 as their night to see the Worker.

On Civil Liberties [redacted] said that people from other clubs were anxious to form a Civil Liberties group in the West Side. No future meeting was announced or what plans were being drawn up. [redacted] sold tickets for the Emergency Civil Liberties Affair, Friday April 13 at the Hotel New Yorker. She also announced an affair by the Civil Liberties Committee to be held at Palm Gardens on Sunday afternoon April 29, 1962.

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[redacted] announced that GUS HALL would speak at an invitation only meeting to be held at a hall on Rivington St. April 17, Tuesday night.

The last point of discussion was the Cuba Committee. The discussion centered largely on the need for expanding the help on getting out the Newsletter. [redacted] complained that it was too much work for her to do all the technical work herself. It was also decided to suspend publication of the News Letter during the summer months and concentrate on leaflets & street distribution. It was also decided to ask [redacted] to transfer to the club since all his activities were concerned with the club. SARAH sold literature before adjournment.

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The meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m. The next meeting will be held at the home of [redacted] April 23, 1962.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2003)

DATE: 4/20/62

FROM : SA [redacted] (424)

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SUBJECT: CLUB #1 WEST SIDE CP SECTION  
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Identity of Source [redacted]

Description of info

4/9/62 meeting of West Side  
Club #1 CP

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Date Received

4/12/62

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A copy of informant's report follows:

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- 1 - [redacted] (Inv) (424)
- 1 - 100-57965 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-87097 (SARAH PLOTKIN) (424)
- 1 - 100-143645 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-7976 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-114924 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-88464 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-128314 (Funds) (415)
- 1 - 97-169 (Publishers New Press) (415)
- 1 - 100-95583 (Line) (415)
- 1 - 100-128823 (Domestic Adm. Matters) (415)
- 1 - 100-148098 (1962 Labor and Peoples Comm. for May Day) (41)
- 1 - 100-9645 (HUGO GELLER) (352)
- 1 - 100-15828 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-145082 (CCCL) (41)
- 1 - 100-107419 (ECLC) (41)
- 1 - 100-84994 (GUS HALL) (415)
- 1 - 100-144078 (WSCFRC) (41)
- 1 - 100-125507 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-26603-C42 (NY County CP) (421)
- 1 - 100-26603-C1920 (West Side CP Sect) (424)
- 1 - 100-26603-C2003 (424)

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NY 100-26603-C2003

April 10, 1962  
New York, NY

The West Side Club No. 1 CP held a meeting on  
April 9, 1962 at 8:30 PM Monday NYC at the house of [redacted]  
[redacted]

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Those observed present were, SARAH PLOTKIN, [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] started to collect dues for April money on  
pledges for the Worker and sustaining fund. She said the Worker  
is in need of funds for its publication. The [redacted] made a  
discussion on the Albania & Chinese on Russian question. She  
stated that the main question was of Peace, Universal disarmament  
& National liberation. All the members at the end agreed that  
Russian position was the best one and that Albania & China  
should be condemned for their attitude. [redacted] gave  
a report on election campaign she urged the necessity of support  
reform candidates. SARAH PLOTKIN gave a brief report on the  
May Day conference at Union Square May 1, 1962, NYC from 4-8  
PM it is going to be dedicated to "Freedom of the Press".  
chairman is HUGO GELLERT [redacted]

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On Friday April 20 [redacted] are going to carry a  
assignment to sell the Worker after work at night. [redacted]  
sold tickets for the Emergency Civil Liberties affair Friday  
April 13 at Hotel New Yorker and another by the Civil Liberties  
Committee at Palm Gardens Sunday afternoon April 29, 1962  
NYC. The meeting ended 11 PM the next meeting will be held  
at 784 Columbus Ave NYC April 23, 1962 home of [redacted]



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2003)

Date 3/7/62

FROM: SA [redacted] (#424)

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SUBJECT: CLUB #1 WESTSIDE CP SECTION  
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Identity of source [redacted]

Description of info 2/12/62 meeting of Club #1 CP

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Date received 2/19/62

Original located [redacted]

A copy of informant's report follows:

- 1 - [redacted] (INV) (424)
- 1 - 100-26603-C42 (NY COUNTY CP) (421)
- 1 - 100-26603-C1920 (WESTSIDE CP SECTION) (424)
- 1 - 100-88464 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-87097 (SARAH PLOTKIN) (424)
- 1 - 100-7976 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-57965 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-143645 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-114924 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-128818 (LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY) (414)
- 1 - 100-145586 (CONGRESSMAN RYAN) (424)
- 1 - 100-117844 (ASSEMBLYMAN MARK LANE) (424)
- 1 - 100-95583 (CP LINE) (415)
- 1 - 100-128812 (POLITICAL ACTIVITIES) (414)
- 1 - 100-128823 (DOMESTIC ADM MATTERS) (414)
- 1 - 97-169 (PUBLISHERS NEW PRESS) (415)
- 1 - 100-50842 (OAKLEY JOHNSON) (424)
- 1 - 100-101488 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-144078 (WSCFRC) (41)
- 1 - 100-26603-C2003 (424)

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Feb. 13, 1962  
New York City

The Communist party club No. 1 held a meeting Monday,  
2/12/62 at 8:30 p.m. at the home of [redacted]

[redacted] Observed entering and he present  
were. [redacted] SARAH PLOTKIN,  
[redacted] started the meeting say-  
ing that she had been visited by an agent of the F.B.I. She said  
that she didn't answer any questions and that she closed the door  
right at his face, warning that maybe the rest of the group be...  
visited and told to the present not to say anything. Then she gave  
a report of Club captains the topic discussed was the elections  
in 1962. The Republican party and [redacted] must be defeated,  
and RYAN & MARK LANE must be helped to be elected. Next item  
taken up was the question of the sustaining fund. All present  
paid part of their pledges. [redacted] were observed giving  
[redacted] for [redacted] & herself also included the dues for February.  
No receipts. SARAH PLOTKIN said whether records were made, [redacted]  
said since the party was still legal a record must be kept of funds  
but there were no lists. She said that the county had some kind  
of executive committee, then she announced the Carnegie Hall, meeting  
of March 2, Friday night. on the anniversary of the Worker, She said  
that at least half of the pledges must be in. she said the clubs  
quotas was \$15.00 and asked to [redacted] if they would give  
\$15.00 before the meeting, the quota have to be fulfilled,  
the others already given their share. [redacted] again announced the  
OAKLEY JOHNSON party at the home of [redacted]  
[redacted] Feb 17 Saturday evening 1962. she urged everybody to  
attend. A short discussion of the recent meeting held by the West  
Side Committee for Friendly Relations with Cuba. All agreed it was  
an outstanding success and all agreed about [redacted] give a  
good speech. The next meeting will be held at the house of  
SARAH PLOTKIN, 119 W. 106 St., NYC at 8:30 p.m. Monday Feb 26, 1962.  
The meeting ended at 11:30 p.m.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2003)

Date 5/2/62

FROM: SA [redacted] (#424)

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SUBJECT: CLUB #1 WESTSIDE CP SECTION  
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Identity of source [redacted]

Description of info CP Club #1 meeting 4/23/62

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Date received 4/27/62

Original located [redacted]

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- 1 - [redacted] (INV) (424)
- 1 - 100-7976 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-87097 (SARAH PLOTKIN) (424)
- 1 - 100-88464 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-57965 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-143645 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-114924 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-84994 (GUS HALL) (415)
- 1 - 100-26603-C42 (NY COUNTY CP) (421)
- 1 - 100-26603-C1920 (WESTSIDE CP SECTION) (424)
- 1 - 97-169 (PUBLISHERS NEW PRESS) (415)
- ① - 100-95583 (LINE) (415)
- 1 - 100-148098 (1962 L & P COMM. FOR MAY DAY) (41)
- 1 - 100-128314 (FUNDS) (414)
- 1 - 100-100351 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-16294 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-145082 (CCCL) (415)
- 1 - 100-144078 (WSCFRC) (41)
- 1 - 100-23825 (BEN DAVIS) (415)
- 1 - 100-1696 (E. G. FLYNN) (415)
- 1 - 100-128823 (DOMESTIC ADM MATTERS) (414)
- 1 - 100-26603-C2003 (424)

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New York, NY  
April 24, 1962

Monday night at 8:30 p.m., a meeting was held at the home of [redacted] date April 23, 1962 of CP Club #1. b6 b7C

Those observed in the meeting were SARAH PLOTKIN [redacted]

[redacted] first started selling literature, then [redacted] gave a report of the meeting that GUS HALL held April 17, 1962, it was held mainly for the club Captains. The main part of his discussion was devoted to the Newspaper the Worker & Mid Week Worker and how to increase sales & new subscriptions that interest reader were lagging, also spoke about his trip to West Coast and his meetings with the students & young people. [redacted] urged to all members that instead of going out once a month, should go out twice a month. [redacted] were chosen to go out this Friday after work with 15 newspapers of the Worker and at the same time distribute leaflets for the first of May rally at Union Square between 4 to 8. Then to try renewed lapsed subscribers must be visited, then also find a new subscribers. Donations must be sought from people friendly to the Worker and last they have to attempt to made a sincere sale on Newstands. [redacted] started to collect sustaining funds and pledges, she said the other West Side Clubs are not active at all in the Worker Campaign particularly the clubs of [redacted] saying that they not even came to any meetings. Then [redacted] said that every effort must be made to bring friends to attend the May Day rally at least 10,000 persons were hoped to be present. SARAH PLOTKIN criticized the hours from 4-8 she said would be much better to have the hours from 5-7 p.m. Sunday April 29, 1962 at 2:30 p.m. The Citizens Committee for constitutional Liberties is going to be held a meeting a Satirical Review. Two tickets were given to [redacted] [redacted] urged them to attend for the club. All present agree to be present at the meeting by the West Side Committee for Friendly Relations with Cuba, Thursday April 26, 1962, at the Hotel Beacon 75 St. & Broadway, NYC. SARAH promised to pick up & bring some literature to be sold at the meeting. b6 b7C

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[redacted] said the formation of a New HALL-DAVIS defense committee chairman by ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, it was decided that it would be best to have an open meeting committee apart from the Citizens committee for the defended of HALL and DAVIS. They want to raise \$100,000 for a defense fund. All people who may want to help or are sympathetic can help and all the members will try to approach them.

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The next meeting will be held at the home of [redacted] [redacted] Monday, May 7, 1962. The meeting ended at 11:00 p.m.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2003) (424)

Date: 5/15/62

FROM : SA [redacted] (424)

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SUBJECT: CLUB #1  
WESTSIDE CP SECTION  
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Identity of Source: [redacted]

Description of info: Westside Club #1 CP meeting  
5/7/62.

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Date Received: 5/10/62

Original located: [redacted]

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- 1 - New York (100-57965) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-114924) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-87097) (SARAH PLOTKIN) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-88464) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-143645) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-121343) (FANIA GERSHAM) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-85964) (JOHN CUTCH) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-128314) (FUNDS) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-7976) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-95583) (LINE) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-128818) (LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-145082) (CCCL) (41)
- 1 - New York (97-169) (PUBLISHERS NEW PRESS) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-85671) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-144078) (WSCFRC) (41)
- 1 - New York (100-7518) (NCASF) (41)
- 1 - New York (97-1792) (FPCC) (31)
- 1 - New York (100-148234) (HALL-DAVIS DEFENSE COMMITTEE) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-26603-C42) (NY COUNTY CP) (421)
- 1 - New York (100-26603-C1920) (WESTSIDE CP SECTION) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-26603-C2003) (424)

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May 8, 1962  
New York, N.Y.

West Side Club No. 1 of the C.P. held a meeting at [redacted] home of [redacted] Monday night at 8:30 P.M. May 7, 1962. Among those observed were: SARAH PLOTKIN, [redacted]

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[redacted] TANYA GLESHAM female about 67 years old 5'2" white weight about 130lbs Brown hair Brown eyes food worker. Another new member JOHN COTCH Negro Male about 60 yrs old 5'5" bald head greying hair light complexion, weight 130 lbs. Soft spoken well speak English food worker.

SARAH PLOTKIN sell literature before the meeting start then [redacted] opened the meeting and collected dues & pledges sustaining fund and funds for the Hall and DAVIS defense fund. The gave a report of a meeting that [redacted] attended about the elections since [redacted] didn't come to this meeting. The went into the question of a Neighborhood Civil Liberties Committee because the last meeting they have months ago at the hotel Lucerne was a complete failure, so another attempt will be made. [redacted] announced the meeting of the Citizens Committee for Civil Liberties to be held June 7 thursday 8:00 P.M. at Manhattan Center, tickets were distributed to all the members present to be sold to their friends.

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On the drive for more readers of the Worker, [redacted] reported that she had gone out with [redacted] canvassing, selling some papers at the project 860 Columbus ave N.Y.C. Then [redacted] was suggested to go and meet [redacted] Friday May 11 N.Y.C. at 6:00 P.M. and to go out canvassing with the Worker. [redacted] gave a brief report of the West Side committee for Friendly Relations with Cuba for the benefit of the 2 new members to the club No. 1 saying it was the only neighborhood mass organization. TANYA was invited to help with the West Side committee, she promised to be at the next meeting. [redacted] suggested invite other neighborhood committees or formed a new ones around Chelsea area where she expects to move. [redacted] opposed it saying that it would be in conflict with Fair Play that the West Side was only a neighborhood committee and was formed not to compete with Fair Play but to supplement it, all agreed with him.

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[redacted] announced a mass meeting at St Nicholas Arena 66 St Broadway N.Y.C. Thursday night to greet the Soviet Cosmonaut TITOV, Every body was told to go there no charge admission.

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The next meeting will be held at the home of SARAH PLOTKIN 119 W 106 St N.Y.C. Monday evening May 21, 1962 The meeting ended about 11 P.M.

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On 5/10/62 a photo of FANIA GERSHAM 100-121343-1A4 was exhibited to [redacted] Informant advised individual depicted in photo is identical to FANYA GLESHAM mentioned in report.

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On 5/10/62, a photo of JOHN CUTCH (100-85964) was exhibited to [redacted]

Informant advised individual depicted in photo is identical to JOHN CUTCH mentioned in report.





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May 17, 1962

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COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT

A source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on May 14, 1962, furnished the following information:

The District Committee of the Communist Party held its regular monthly meeting on April 29, 1962, at the Jewish Center in Chelsea, Massachusetts, attended by [redacted]

[redacted] ANNE B. TIMPSON, [redacted] PHIL BART of New York. The agenda for the meeting was (1) peace, (2) "The Worker" fund drive, (3) youth movement, (4) defense and (5) Party organization.

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"The Worker" fund drive was the topic of a long discussion by both PHIL BART and ANNE TIMPSON. In substance they reported that this fund drive is and will be the center of attraction indefinitely and that this is due to many things, for example, the need of money for (1) lawyers fees in preparing the case brought by the Federal Government, (2) the college campus discussions by GUS HALL and BEN DAVIS, and (3) the starting of a new fund drive to be known as the DAVIS-HALL defense. Communications were read at the meeting asking the new England District to accept a quota of \$2,000 and despite the fact that the original fund drive is not completed, it is evident that this new drive will be accepted.

PHIL BART of the National Office of the Communist Party is in the process of launching a long range plan to organize a young communist group not to be governed by the existing Communist Party constitution, but by modern flexible rules. PHIL BART also reported that the World Marxist Reunion would be held in New York on June 7, 8 and 9, 1962.

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-1)  
FROM: SAC, BOSTON (100-7908)  
SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
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Enclosed are six copies of a letterhead memorandum dated as above under the individual caption "Communist Party, USA, New England District," for possible dissemination by the Bureau.

The information contained in the enclosed memorandum was furnished to SA DARREL B. CURRIE by [redacted] on May 14, 1962.

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The letterhead memorandum has been classified ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ since data reported therein could reasonably result in the identification of a confidential informant of continuing value and compromise his future effectiveness.

- 6 - Bureau (Encs. 6)(RM)
  - (5 - 100-3-1)
  - (1 - 100-422089 PHIL BART)
- ② - New York (Encs. 2)(RM)
  - ① - 100-95583 (CP, USA)
  - (1 - 100-56579 PHIL BART)
- 4 - Boston
  - (1 - 100-24914 PHIL BART)
  - (1 - [redacted])
  - (1 - 100-27647 GINAL)
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2003)

Date 5/2/62

FROM: SA [redacted] (#424)

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SUBJECT: CLUB #1 WESTSIDE CP SECTION  
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Identity of source [redacted]

Description of info

4/23/62, meeting of West Side CP Club #1

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- 1 - [redacted] (INV) (424)
- 1 - 100-7976 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-87097 (SARAH PLOTKIN) (424)
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- 1 - 97-169 (PUBLISHERS NEW PRESS) (415)
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- 1 - 100-128314 (WINDS) (414)
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- 1 - 100-84994 (BUS HALL) (415)
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May 2, 1962

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NY 100-26603-C2003

April 24, 1962  
New York, NY

There was a meeting of the West Side CP Club #1 Monday, Apr. 23, 1962, at 8:30 p.m. at the home of [redacted]

Before the start of the meeting SARAH PLOTKIN was observed selling literature. Those observed present were [redacted]

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Due to the fact that there was no political discussion [redacted] gave a report of the meeting with GUS HALL held April 17, 1962. She stated that it was held mainly for club captains. GUS HALL gave a brief resume of his trip West and his meetings with the students. The principal part of his discussion was devoted to the Worker and Mid West Worker and how to increase subscriptions. It was pointed out that subscriptions and reader interest were lagging.

[redacted] said that instead of going out once a month members should go out twice a month. [redacted] were to go out this Friday with the Worker and also distribute leaflets for the May First rally at Union Square which will take place between 4-8. Secondly lapsed subscribers must be visited. Thirdly new subscribers must be found. Forthly donations must be sought from people friendly to the Worker and fifthly an attempt must be made to increase sales on newstands.

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[redacted] reiterated that the main threat came from the right and the support of the Worker was the best way of combating that threat.

[redacted] then made collections for pledges & sustaining funds. [redacted] voiced criticism of the other West Side Clubs for being not active in the Worker campaign particularly mentioning the clubs of [redacted] saying that the former hardly came to any meetings.

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For May Day at least 10,000 persons were hoped to be present. [redacted] said that every effort must be made to interest friends to attend. SARAH criticized the hours from 4-8 saying that it would be much better to have the hours more compact from 5-7 p.m.

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There is to be a Satirical Review for the Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties Sunday, April 29, 1962, at 2:30 p.m. Two tickets were given to [redacted] to attend for the club.

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All present arranged to meet at the meeting by the West Side Committee for Friendly Relations with Cuba, Thursday Apr. 26, 1962 at the Hotel Beacon, 75th. & Broadway, NYC. SARAH promised to pick up some literature to be sold at the meeting. The next meeting will be held at the home of [redacted] Monday, May 7, 1962. The meeting ended at 11:00 p.m.

Shortly before the close of the meeting [redacted] discussed the formation of a new HALL-DAVIS Defense Committee, Chairman is ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN. It was decided that it would be best to have an open committee apart from the Citizens Committee, for the defense of HALL & DAVIS. The aim is to raise \$100,000 for a defense fund. All people who may be sympathetic are to be approached for help. [redacted] stated that one of the clubs was interested in starting a neighborhood Citizens Committee but nothing definite was said as to whether people have been approached or such a committee has actually been formed.

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MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-23825)  
FROM : SA [redacted] (422)  
SUBJECT: BENJAMIN J. DAVIS JR.  
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DATE: 5/16/62

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Identity of Source [redacted]  
Description of info Speech by BEN DAVIS at  
Crown Heights Forum, 5/6/62.  
Date Received 5/7/62  
Original Located [redacted]

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A copy of informant's report follows:

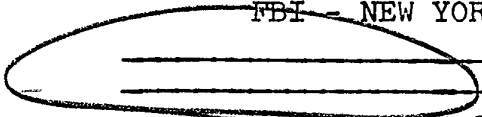
- 1 - [redacted] (INV.) (422)
- 1 - 100-137765 (CROWN HEIGHTS FORUM) (422)
- 1 - 100-146936 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-139584 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-140634 [redacted] (421)
- 1 - 100-141221 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-142060 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-82430 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-14096 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-67348 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-134372 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-89039 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-59993 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-145872 (CP, USA, NYD-PUBLIC APPEARANCES OF PARTY LEADERS) (415)
- 1 - 100-84994 (GUS HALL) (415)
- 1 - 100-95583 (CP, USA-LINE) (415)
- 1 - 100-144597 (JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY) (415)
- 1 - 100-148358 (CHRISTIAN ANTI-COMMUNIST CRUSADE) ( )
- 1 - 100-23825 (415)
- 1 - 100-26603-C43 (KCCP) (422)

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Davis said that in 1954, the Supreme Court handed down a decision concerning the desegregation of schools with all possible speed. He said that as of today, one-fifth of the schools in the South have been desegregated. He said that recently the Supreme Court ruled that General Motors had to relinquish their stock in the DuPont Corporation, but that Congress ruled that the stockholders had thirty years to divest themselves of their holdings. He said that in the forthcoming trial, if he is convicted he will get thirty years and the Communist Party will be outlawed. He said there is one law for the capitalists and one law for the working class.



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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2003) DATE: 5/15/62  
FROM : SA [redacted] (424)  
SUBJECT: CLUB #1 WESTSIDE COMMUNIST PARTY SECTION  
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Identity of Source [redacted]

Description of info Meeting 5/7/62 of C.P.  
Club #1 Westside.

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Date Received 5/10/62

Original Located [redacted]

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- 1 - [redacted] (INV.) (424)
- 1 - 100-57965 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-114924 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-87097 SARAH PLOTKIN (424)
- 1 - 100-88464 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-143645 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-121343 (FANIA GERSHAM) (424)
- 1 - 100-85964 (JOHN CUTCH) (424)
- 1 - 100-128314 (FUNDS) (415)
- 1 - 100-7976 [redacted] (424)
- ① 1 - 100-95583 (LINE) (415)
- 1 - 100-128818 (LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY) (415)
- 1 - 100- [redacted] (RALPH BUNCHE) ( )
- 1 - 100-146684 (WOMEN'S STRIKE FOR PEACE) (41)
- 1 - 100-145082 (CGCL) (41)
- 1 - 97-169 (PUBLISHERS NEW PRESS) (415)
- 1 - 100-85671 [redacted] (424)

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- 1 - 97-1792 (FPCC) (31)
- 1 - 100-7518 (NCASF) (41)
- 1 - 100-148234 (HALL-DAVIS DEFENSE COMM.) (415)
- 1 - 100-26603-C42 (NY COUNTY CP) (421)
- 1 - 100-26603-C1920 (WESTSIDE CP SECTION) (424)

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May 8, 1962  
New York, N.Y.

There was a meeting of the C P Club #41 West Side at the home of [redacted] May 7, 1962 Monday evening at 8:30 P.M.

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Among those observed present were: [redacted]

SARAH PLOTKIN,  
FANYA GERSHAM:

5' White Female about 60 yrs old  
Weight about 120 lbs Brown hair  
Brown eyes newly transferred.  
Food worker

JOHN COTCH:

5'5" Negro male 60 yrs old  
Greying Hair Brown complexion  
weight about 130 lbs. Speaks  
English well. Soft spoken  
Balding - Food Worker

Before the meeting SARAH PLOTKIN was observed selling literature. [redacted] opened the meeting and collected dues, sustaining fund, pledges and funds for the Hall Davis defense fund.

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[redacted] then gave a short report of a meeting that [redacted] not present attended about the elections. The principal theme was the possible candidacy of RALPH BUNCHE for senator. She stated that although BUNCHE was known for his anti-communist viewpoint the mere fact that he was a Negro would make him a candidate receiving wide support. Also there was a possibility of one of the "Women's Strike for Peace" members being a candidate for a Congressional nomination. It showed that there was a strong possibility for a possible peace candidacy.

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[redacted] then went in to the question of a neighborhood Civil Liberties Committee. The last meeting which was an attempt to form such a neighborhood committee was a complete failure. The meeting was held several months ago at the Hotel Lucerne. Not much interest was aroused and no new people showed up. Another attempt will be held. The plan is for a small group to meet perhaps 4 or 5 people at private homes and try to build a working committee from that basis. No one was announced as to who is to be in

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charge or what plans have already been made. It is only in the shaping-up stage without any definite role being given to Club #1. [redacted] then announced the meeting of the Citizens Committee for Civil Liberties to be held June 7 Thursday 8:00 P.M. at Manhattan center. Tickets were distributed to the members present to be sold to their friends.

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On the drive for more readers of the Worker, [redacted] reported that she had gone out canvassing with [redacted] and they had made some sales. [redacted] were to meet SARAH PLOTKIN Friday May 11 at 6:00 P.M. and to go out canvassing with the Worker.

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[redacted] for the benefit of the newcomers gave a rundown of the Work of the West Side Committee for Friendly Relations with Cuba, pointing out it was practically the only neighborhood mass organization. [redacted] made the suggestion that perhaps other neighborhood committees be formed particularly in the Chelsea area of the new project where she expects to move shortly. [redacted] opposed it with the concurrence of [redacted] saying that it would be in conflict with Fair Play, that the West Side was only a neighborhood committee & should not seek to expand its activities. He said the West Side Committee was formed not to compete with Fair Play but to supplement it. All agreed with him on his exposition. FANYA was invited to help with the West Side Committee to which she assented and promised to be at their next meeting.

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[redacted] then announced a mass meeting at the St. Nicholas Arena 662 Bdway NYC Thursday night to greet the Soviet Cosmonaut TITOV. Everybody was told to there without fail. The announcement created great enthusiasm. The next meeting will be held at the home of SARAH PLOTKIN 119 W. 106 St. NYC. Monday evening May 21, 1962. The meeting adjourned at 11:00 P.M.

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On 5/10/62 a photo of FANIA GERSHAM (100-121343-1A4) was exhibited to [redacted] Informant advised individual depicted in photo is identical to FANYA GERSHAM mentioned in report. On 5/10/62, a photo of JOHN CUTCH (100-85964) was exhibited to [redacted] Informant advised individual depicted in photo is identical to JOHN COTCH mentioned in report.

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TO : SAC (100-18969)  
FROM : SA [redacted]  
SUBJECT: CP - NORTH SHORE SECTION  
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Brief description of activity or material

Meeting, North Shore Section, CPUSA,  
New England District, Beverly, Mass.

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Remarks:

In view of the sensitivity of the informant, the utmost care must be utilized to carefully paraphrase this information prior to dissemination in order to protect the identity of the informant who has furnished reliable information in the past.

Informant's report follows:

1-Philadelphia [redacted] (RM)

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19-Boston (100-18969)

- 134-19A [redacted]
- 100-775 [redacted]
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CP - YOUTH MATTERS  
CP - PAMPHLETS & PUB.

- 100-18912 CP - EDUCATION
- 100-18049 CP - NEW HAMPSHIRE
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"April 4, 1962

"On Thurs. evening March 29, 1962 there was an enlarged meeting of the North Shore section of the N. E. Communist Party held at the home of [redacted]

"Those attending were as follows: [redacted]

"Agenda for the meeting was:

- "1 - D.C. Report by Lew Gordon
- 2 - Fund Drive
- 3 - Peace

[redacted] gave a report on the recent D. C. meeting. He said \$1000.00 had been turned in on the fund drive by the N. E. district. That was one third of the goal. By the next D. C. meeting on April 29 the next \$1000.00 was expected. He gave figures as to where the \$1000.00 would come from:

- "\$500.00 from Boston
- \$150.00 from the North Shore
- \$150.00 from the South Shore
- \$200.00 (about) from a couple foreign language groups, unattached people, Vermont & N. H.

[redacted] announced that Ben Davis would be speaking at Harvard University on April 18, 1962.

"That the Magazine New Horizons in its new format would be distributed to the students. New Horizons would be larger and in magazine form.

[redacted] reported that [redacted] had been in Boston and contacted students at Brandeis University and at Harvard and expects to set up some Marxist study groups at both these places in the fall. Right now students had exams and then would leave for summer vacation. So plans were to start right in the fall with these groups, then they would have a chance to develop. The D. C. thought [redacted] was the person to lead these groups.

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[ ] reported [ ] had said there were no reactionary students at Brandeis - only liberals and those to the left - but at Harvard there were all types.

[ ] reported there had been some discussion at the D. C. about answering [ ] on the content of material he's sending out - in The Hammer and Steel Newsletter.

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[ ] mentioned that the N. S. executive had discussed this and felt what should be done is have someone in the party write a story showing the correct political line for people in Massachusetts - keeping in mind the recent corrupt revelations in Mass. This should be published in P. A.

[ ] reported that at the next D. C. meeting there would be discussion on the peace question. They hoped to have Arnold Johnson there and other people in the party who were active in peace organizations would be asked to attend the D. C. meeting. They would discuss the role of the party in the Peace movement in this area. We all thought [ ] should attend.

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[ ] said he has 178.00 towards the Fund drive which will put us (North Shore) over our quota by April 29.

"There was some discussion on the Forum to be held at the Saugus Universalist Church on April 12. The subject to be the "Ultra Right."

"We decided to invite and urge as many people as possible to attend this Forum.

[ ] reported that he [ ] had attended a defense meeting at [ ] and that [ ] was trying to set up a meeting on defense for April 13 at Community Church Center.

[ ] reported [ ] expected she might go into the hospital the latter part of April for an operation.

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[ ] asked [ ] to clip all local newspapers for Articles of any local or State corruption - so they could be sent to the Worker.

[ ] left his bag of literature etc behind. Included in it were the following:

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- "1. Programm of the C. P. of The Soviet Union  
adopted by the 22nd Congress  
of the C.P.S.U. Oct. 31, 1961  
Pub - Foreign languages Publishing  
House - Moscow 1961
- "2. N. Khrushchov  
An Account to The Party and the People -  
Report of the C.C.C.P.S.U. to the  
22nd Congress of the Party  
Oct. 17, 1961  
Foreign Languages Publishing  
House - Moscow
- "3. A Letter - Boston, Mass 64 - 20 Mar. 1962  
(Post Mark) A.F.L. - C.I.O. Free Trade  
Union News published by Department of  
International Affairs AFL-CIO Vol. 17,  
No. 1. Jan. 1962 typo bug #357 (Lew  
Gordon had shown this to all and asked  
if we knew where it came from).
- "4. Lew's personal notes of the D. C. meetings  
he's attended in a small note book.

All necessary action has been taken with respect to information  
furnished above.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-54651) (415)

DATE: 5/28/62

FROM: SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: CPUSA, NATIONAL GROUPS  
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Identity of Source [redacted]

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Description of info Meeting of Minor Press CP Club  
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- 1-New York (100-18065) (JACK STACHEL) (415)
- 1-New York (100-26776) [redacted] (421)
- 1-New York (100-56820) [redacted] (421)
- 1-New York (100-97116) [redacted] (423)
- 1-New York (100-11730) [redacted] (424)
- 1-New York (100-58535) [redacted] (31)
- 1-New York (100-82382) [redacted] (31)
- 1-New York (100-68196) [redacted] (31)
- 1-New York (100-105078) (HY LUMER) (415)
- 1-New York (100-145082) (Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties) (41)
- 1-New York (100-95583) (CP Line)
- 1-New York (100-54651) (415)

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May 5, 62

Meeting of the Minor Press Club of the CP held on Thursday, May 3, 62 at the Estohonian Hall, 125th St. & Lexington Ave. from 7:30 to 9:40 p.m. resent: JACK STACHEL. [redacted]

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[redacted] He introduced comrade STACHEL' who is going to report on the latest main events." STACHEL spoke for a little over one hour dealing on the following:

1. Shortly there will be one year since the Supreme Court decision. He sneered at those who panicked immediately after that decision. We are still here....no one has gone to jail.... several attempts made by the Justice Dept. have failed so far. In fact they seemed to have slowed down....this is because of the pressure in our own country and the pressure from the democratic forces around the world. How wrong were and are those in our Party who thought that it was time to "liquidate" to "hide", that we were finished. Here STACHEL brags how the Party never before in its history, has had audiences of tens of thousands of Americans, mainly young people, the cream of our country, listen to its program...Our leaders have been and are being invited in tens of colleges, in many forums.... the American people are tired of just listening to professional anti-communists, now they have decided to listen directly from us, and this comrades is an historical event...and naturally we are taking advantage of this....before we were given the "silent treatment"...but we must not be content with all this. Here he announced the June 7 meeting at Manhattan Center by the Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties. The Center must have an overflow audience. STACHEL informed that many more prominent Americans are joining in the protest against the Smith-Mc Carran Acts and shortly the list will be made public. Among the latest condemning these Acts, are Dr. LINUS PAULING, the scinetists UREY and OPPENHEIMER. With a broad smile, STACHEL "it is really great". I wonder, how those who left the Party since, feel today?

2. On nuclear testing--STACHEL concentrated mainly on the protest movement in the U.S.A. He stated that what is amazing about the movement is that while in the past such protest activities subsided after an official or presidential pronouncement, today the movement is more determined: pickets are going on and on. Here he praised the position of the A.D.A. (for a complete story STACHEL referred the editors to this weeks The Worker). He praised

highly our women comrades for the splendid, unbelievable work they are doing together with many other Americans. He stated the many women participating in these pro-peace activities are doing so because they understand the danger involved in our own existence, if a war breaks out between the USA and USSR.

3. On steel---He said that the President was forced to move by political consideration. He praised the President for his comment on what business people are, and added: his father was one of them too! Then he blasted KENNEDY on the new proposals to strengthen the Taft-Hartley Act. You see comrades we know who KENNEDY is....it is ridiculous even to suggest that we prefer him over others...It is a question of tactic. We support what we think is good, we have to push, advance anything that is to our advantage. If these things don't materialize then we can go to the masses and show how they were betrayed.

JACK urged the editors to pay particular attention to these points in their press. A discussion followed more or less on the same line, stressing the same experience in the national group fields.

Answering a number of questions STACHEL informed " that comrade THOMPSON will be participating in a number of activities;

"For reasons you understand, we are going to have just a meeting of a number of people on June 8-9-10 and may the 11th. Therefore keep this weekend free. I am sure this will give us a chance to discuss some problems related to our national group work....for example the comrades from Chicago and Detroit, want to discuss the problem related to our language press. Comrade GUS will make the main report and I can assure you this will be of historical value."

He informed that "Party leaders will meet the weekend of May 11-12-13 in NY.

"The Party is preparing a draft on the struggle against fascism. This will be submitted to a Conference which will take place in Prague for the purpose on how to combat anti-communism". He referred us to read a very important article in the April issue of World Marxist Review.

The Party is a preparing a number of folders on various national and international problems to be distributed mainly in campusus.

A book in answer to MILLS "the Marxists" is being contemplated. If possible, LUMER will do the job, since he has lot of time to do this in jail.

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KINGS COUNTY COMMUNIST PARTY (KCCP)  
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Identity of Source [redacted]

Description of info

6/19/62 KCCP meeting, 3200  
Coney Island Ave., Brooklyn, NY

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- 1 - 100-129629 (WILLIAM ALBERTSON) (414)
- 1 - 100-117158 (DANNY RUBEL) (422)
- 1 - 100-90195 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-98068 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-67408 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-134492 [redacted] (42)
- 1 - 100-96627 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-101936 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-139449 (MURRAY ROSENBERG) (422)
- 1 - 100-32433 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-86732 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-106518 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-12959 (CONNIE BART) (422)
- 1 - 100-44781 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-67670 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-95583 (CP USA LINE) (415)
- 1 - 100-128812 (CP USA NYD POLITICAL ACTIVITIES) (414)
- 1 - 100-146124 (COMMUNIST BROTHERHOOD PARTY) (41)
- 1 - 100-94584 [redacted] (422)
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On 6/19/62, a Kings County CP Meeting was held at the Brighton Beach Community Center, 3200 Coney Island Avenue, Brooklyn, NY.

Present were:

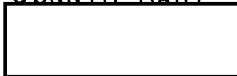
BILL ALBERTSON  
DANNY RUBEL



MURRAY ROSENBERG



CONNIE BART



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BILL ALBERTSON from the NY State CP gave the main report on the Political scene for 1962-64, and the following are some of his comments:

The Ultra-Right in the Presidential Election Year 1964 will use the Republican Party to get some of their people elected. The Ultra-Right is divided in NY but strong in California. The main aim of the CP is to defeat the growth and consolidation of the Ultra-Right.

Governor ROCKEFELLER has been changing to a "Liberal Republican" so as to be more acceptable to the Negro, Puerto Rican and the worker voters in NYC and in the urban areas of NY State. ROCKEFELLER has attacked President KENNEDY's Administration on all issues from the right, and Senator JAVITS, a Liberal Republican, helps ROCKEFELLER's position. "Our" task is to cut down ROCKEFELLER's majority or to defeat him for Governor. Cutting his plurality will put ROCKEFELLER in a poor position insofar as the 1964 Presidential race is concerned.

There is no strong Democratic candidate on the scene for the Governorship of NY State. The Democrats must have a Negro on the State-wide ticket in this year's election and official representation of the NYC Labor Movement in order to win.

The aim of the Brotherhood Party is to secure 50,000 votes on their line in the Gubernatorial Election in 1962 so that in 1963 they can be considered an official party. The Brotherhood Party will have to name their candidates before the Democrats name theirs, but they will probably use dummy names and then change their candidates during the four days allowed them after the Democrats name their candidates. Probably the Brotherhood Party candidates will finally be the same as those of the Democrats. It is necessary for the "left coalition" in NYC to create pressure on the Democrats.

Concerning the Reform Movement, mistakes have been made and will continue to be made insofar as the Negro peoples movement is concerned. This is due to the fact that the vast scope of this movement is not known and understood.

The [redacted] Political Campaign in the 17th Assembly District of Brooklyn must become Brooklyn's concentration and all club members not tied up in urgent work should go into the 17th Assembly District to canvass for him. It is urgent that as many white Comrades as possible from all over Brooklyn go into the 17th Assembly District to get signatures for [redacted] due to the large white population in that District. As many petition signatures as possible must be obtained because if enough are received, the Democratic Party may decide not to oppose [redacted]

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"Our Party" is not as yet a part of the Political Action Movement. We have the responsibility of creating issues in the election.

It was announced that the next meeting of this type will be held on 7/17/62 at the Brighton Beach Community Center, 3200 Coney Island Ave., Brooklyn, NY. The next Regional Kings County CP Council Meeting will be held on 7/10/62 at the residence of [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2003)

DATE: 7/18/62

FROM: SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: CLUB #1  
WESTSIDE CP SECTION  
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Identity of Source [redacted]

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West Side Club #1  
CP meeting 7/2/62

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- 1-New York (100-26603-C42) (NY County CP ) (421)
- 1-New York (100-26603-C1920) (Westside CP Section) (424)
- 1-New York (100-57965) [redacted] (424)
- 1-New York (100-87097) (SARAH PLOTKIN) (424)
- 1-New York (100-88464) [redacted] (424)
- 1-New York (100-121343) (FANIA GERSHAM) (424)
- 1-New York (100-143645) [redacted] (424)
- 1-New York (100-145960) [redacted] (424)
- 1-New York (100-114924) [redacted] (424)
- 1-New York (100-85964) (JOHN CUTCH) (424)
- 1-New York (100-128314) (Funds) (415)
- 1-New York (100-95583) (Line) (415)
- 1-New York (100- [redacted]) [redacted]
- 1-New York (100-72778) [redacted] (422)
- 1-New York (100-90853) [redacted] (422)
- 1-New York (100-84994) (GUS HALL) (415)
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July 5, 1962  
New York, N.Y.

There was a meeting of the West Side Club #1, CP, Monday evening July 2, 1962 at the home of [redacted]

Before the meeting started SARAH PLOTKIN was observed selling literature. The following were observed present [redacted] SARAH PLOTKIN [redacted] FANYA GRESHAM, [redacted] [redacted] JOHN CUTCH.

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[redacted]

The discussion was about "The Merchant of Venice" and its latent anti-semitism. [redacted] read excerpts from articles on the subject by [redacted] said the play was still anti-semitic in spite of efforts to try to say SHAKESPEARE made shylock sympathetic. With the rise of anti-semitism it was not considered appropriate to stage the "Merchant" at the present time. The next discussion will be held on the subject of "End the Cold War" by GUS HALL.

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[redacted] lamented the fact that nobody volunteered to sell the Worker. [redacted] said they would be busy with the new Spanish language paper. [redacted] gave a report on the Spanish newspaper and asked all to help. [redacted] suggested that each club give \$10 from the treasury plus a \$1 donation, from each member. It is was unanimously agreed to. [redacted] said the first edition would be a sample and be given out free. It will be out July 16 and it is expected to begin actual publishing after Labor Day. [redacted] had some sample copies of the Mid-Week Worker which JOHN & SARAH volunteered to distribute.

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JOHN opened a discussion on the old food industrial unit, saying that he has no connection with Negro Labor Council. At this time FANYA came in. She said it was terrible to have dissolved the industrial unit. They sold many Workers and had contact with one another. Now it is completely gone. [redacted] then said it was a directive of the National Committee to dissolve the industrial units. Garment had resisted & refused to disband, she also said that Painters were going to reconstitute itself. She said she would take up the whole question at an area meeting.

The next meeting will be held at the home of [redacted]  
[redacted] Monday evening July 16, 1962. It was urged  
on members to come early. The meeting ended at 10:30 P.M.

Re: above [redacted] announced the opening of summer term  
of N.Y. School for Marxist Studies. She had hoped to be make  
scholarships available for people who can't afford to pay. [redacted]  
[redacted] were mentioned as those who might go.  
She distributed the booklet on what courses will be given.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2003)

DATE: 7/17/62

FROM : SA [redacted] (424)

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SUBJECT: CLUB NUMBER 1  
WESTSIDE COMMUNIST PARTY SECTION  
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Identity of Source [redacted]

Description of info

7/2/62 meeting of West Side Club #1, CP

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Date Received

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- 1 - 100-57965 [redacted] (424)
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- 1 - 100-85964 (JOHN CUTCH) (424)
- 1 - 100-128314 (Funds) (415)
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- 1 - 97-169 (Publishers New Press) (415)
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- 1 - 100-132430 (Industrial) (42)
- 1 - 100-139834 (NALC) (41)
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July 5, 1962  
New York, NY

Monday July 2, 1962 at the home of [redacted]  
[redacted] there was a meeting of the West Side Club  
No. 1 CP at 8:30 PM in NYC.

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*Fanya Gresham*

Present there were: [redacted]

[redacted] JOHN CUTCH.  
SARAH PLOTKIN was observed selling literature before the meeting  
started. [redacted]

[redacted] then lamented that nobody went out to sell 'The Worker'. [redacted]  
[redacted] said they would be busy with the New Spanish language paper,  
[redacted] gave a report on the Spanish newspaper and asked all to help.  
[redacted] suggested that each club give \$10.00 from the treasury plus  
\$1.00 donations from each member. [redacted] read excerpts from  
articles on the play "The Merchant of Venice" and its latent  
Anti-Semitism all by [redacted]

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The next discussion will be held on the subject of "End the Cold  
War" by GUS HALL. JOHN CUTCH opened a discussion on the old  
food industrial unit, saying that he has no connection with the  
Negro Labor Council. At this time FANYA GRESHAM came in, she said  
it was terrible to have dissolved. [redacted] announced the opening  
of summer terms of NY School for Marxist Studies she had hoped to be  
made scholarships available for people who can't afford to pay.

[redacted] were mentioned. The next meeting  
will be at this address 150 W 95 St July 16, 1962 home of [redacted]  
The meeting ended at 11:00 P.M.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2003) DATE: 7/25/62  
FROM : SA [REDACTED] (424)  
SUBJECT: CP USA NYD  
UPPER WEST SIDE CLUB  
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Identity of Source [REDACTED]  
Description of info UWSCP Club #1 meeting 7/16/62  
Date Received 7/19/62  
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- 1 - 100-57965 [REDACTED] (424)
- 1 - 100-87097 (SARAH PLOTKIN) (424)
- 1 - 100-145960 [REDACTED] (424)
- 1 - 100-85964 (JOHN CUTCH) (424)
- 1 - 100-143645 [REDACTED] (424)
- 1 - 100-114924 [REDACTED] (424)
- 1 - 100-1466684 (WOMENS STRIKE FOR PEACE) (41)
- 1 - 97-169 (PUBLISHERS NEW PRESS) (415)
- 1 - 100-26603-C192 (CP USA NYD UWS SECT.) (424)
- 1 - 100-26603-C42 (CP USA NYD NY CO) (421)
- 1 - 100-129802 (CP USA COUNTER INTELLIGENCE) (41)
- 1 - 100-129802 Sub F (CP USA NYD COUNTER INTELLIGENCE) (424)
- 1 - 100-84994 (GUS HALL) (415)
- 1 - 100-132477 (CP USA NYD FOOD & BAKERS REGION) (42)
- 1 - 100-132430 (CP USA NYD INDUSTRIAL DIV) (42)
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New York, New York  
July 19, 1962

On Monday evening, July 16, 1962, the regular meeting of the Inner West Side CP Club was held at [redacted]

[redacted]  
Those who were present were:

[redacted]  
SARAH PLOTKIN

[redacted]  
JOHN CUTCH

[redacted]

SARAH PLOTKIN handled the sale of literature and [redacted] collected the dues and sustainer money. [redacted] also had petitions put out by the Womens Strike for Peace which protested further testing of Atomic Weapons. These are to be signed and returned to her. She also had tickets for The Worker picnic which is to be held on August 5, 1962 in the Bronx at Zechs Casino.

The meeting was disruptive. A discussion of GUS HALL's new book "The End of the Cold War" took place. SARAH said she did not like the book. She said it was not correct and was misleading. She said GUS was not critical as he should have been with KENNEDY. She said he was very critical of the ultra rights but she believes the threat of the KENNEDYS is just as great. This led to a badly disruptive argument with SARAH being criticized by almost everyone.

This club seems to be very money hungry. They have many collections and causes and are constantly trying to provide financial support for every cause that comes along and they have created a few of their own. [redacted] was critical of [redacted] because of her lack of assignments and for this reason she named [redacted] as the clubs Press director. SARAH does a lot of press work and should be in charge of the press work. JOHN told [redacted] that he had heard from BILL ALBERTSON that the Food Club of the Industrial division is going to reactivate in September. He also said that he has not yet been able to talk to PATTERSON on the NALC work.



The next club meeting will be held at [redacted] apartment on 7/30/62. This meeting ended at about 11 pm.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C1897) DATE: 7/24/62

FROM : SA [redacted] (424)

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SUBJECT: CP USA NYD  
UPPER EAST SIDE SECTION  
NATIONALITIES CLUB  
IS-C

Identity of Source [redacted]

Description of info Nationalities Club meeting,  
U.E.S. CP Section, 7/2/62.

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Date Received 7/5/62

Original Located [redacted]

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- 1 - 100-119303 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 105-8777 [redacted] (424)
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- 1 - 100-90565 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-8033 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-72926 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-113643 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-26603-C42 (CP USA NYD NY COUNTY) (421)
- 1 - 100-84994 (GUS HALL) (415)
- ① - 100-95583-(CP LINE) (415)
- 1 - 100-26603-C1894 (CP USA NYD UES SECT) (424)
- 1 - 100-146684 (WOMENS STRIKE FOR PEACE) (41)
- 1 - 100-26603-C1897 (424)

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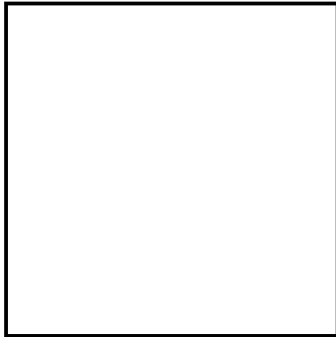
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New York, New York  
July 5, 1962

On Monday evening, July 2, 1962 a meeting was held of the Nationalities Club of the Upper East Side CP Section. It was at the apartment of [redacted]. The meeting began at about 8:45 pm ending 11 pm. Those in attendance were:

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There was a telephone call from [redacted] who said she could not attend because she was going away.

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[redacted] expressed her feelings over [redacted] efforts to block her selection as [redacted] to replace [redacted]. There were no comments on this.

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The purpose of the meeting was a discussion on GUS HALL's new book on the Cold War. This book was very critical of U.S. foreign policy; this country's business dealings abroad which bring on unemployment. It attacks the ultra-right movement and the threat of the ultra-rights in this country.

[redacted] talked about the hospital strike in Brooklyn and said she was helping by picketing.

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[redacted] then introduced a petition put out by the Womens Strike for Peace. This petition seeks signatures to a protest against continued atom testing and a ban on all testing. [redacted] said she would like to ask the club to obtain signatures to these petitions. [redacted] said she felt that the club already had a lot of press canvassing work and she questioned a too energetic undertaking for this petition. [redacted] inquired of [redacted] as to whether there is a Peace Club in the area of the N Club. [redacted] proceeded to get into an argument about this when [redacted] said there was not and that the club handled all this work. [redacted] pointed out she was only trying to determine the existence of a Peace Club so they could make sure they were not duplicating this effort.

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[redacted] announced that there would be no more Upper East Side Section Committee meetings until in the Fall, 1962 because [redacted] is going away for the summer.

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The next club meeting is scheduled for July 16, 1962 to be at [redacted] house also.

[redacted] new address and she read it as. [redacted] She said he had not yet received his furniture. [redacted] said he expected to send the furniture soon and that he, [redacted] would continue to occupy [redacted]

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CLUB #1 WESTSIDE  
COMMUNIST PARTY SECTION  
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Identity of Source [redacted]

Description of info

7/16/62 meeting of West  
Side Club #1 CP

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- 1 - 100-26603-C42 (NY County CP) (421)
- 1 - 100-26603-C1920 (Westside CP Section) (424)
- 1 - 100-57955 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-57097 (SARAH PLOTKIN) (424)
- 1 - 100-145960 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-143545 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-85964 (JOHN CUTCH) (424)
- 1 - 100-114924 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-120314 (CP, USA, NYD Funds) (414)
- 1 - 100-146834 (Women Strike for Peace) (41)
- 1 - 97-169 (Publishers New Press) (415)
- 1 - 100-84994 (GUS HALL) (415)
- 1 - 100-95583 (Line) (415)
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July 19, 1962  
New York, N.Y.

The West Side club No. 1. C.P. held a meeting at the home of [redacted] Monday July 16, 1962 at 8:30 P.M. Observed present were

[redacted] SARAH PLOTKIN, JOHN CUTCH, [redacted] SARAH was observed selling literature, she said that due to physical disability she is unable to be literature director, [redacted] is taking her place. [redacted] collected dues, pledges & sustaining funds. Then distributed petitions sponsored by the "Women Strike for Peace" to be signed and returned to her for general disarmament on ban & testing of atomic bombs, She distributed also tickets for the Worker picnic at Zach's Casino & Park in the Bronx Sunday Aug 5, 1962. All were urged to attend. The discussion for the night was to be on GUS HALL's pamphlet, "End the cold war" SARAH said the pamphlet was misleading and contrary to fact, she said that GUS HALL hardly criticized the KENNEDY's and mostly the right, that HALL said "Conrade KENNEDY" also SARAH criticized the Sunday Worker. There was quite a discussion. It was decided for the next meeting to have a basis discussion on [redacted] announced that [redacted] would be probably named on administrative post with the new Spanish paper "La Nueva Voz". The treasury of the club plus donations of each member gave a total of \$15.00 for the new paper. [redacted] will take it at the next meeting. The next meeting will be at the same address. July 30, 1962. The meeting ended at 11:00 P.M.

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2003)

7/25/62

SA [redacted] (424)

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CLUB #1  
WESTSIDE SECTION CP  
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Identity of Source: [redacted]

Description of info: Meeting of West Side Club  
#1 CP 7/16/62.

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Date Received: 7/20/62

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- 1 - New York (100-26603-C1920) (WESTSIDE CP SECTION) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-57965) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-87097) (SAMM FLOTTIN) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-145960) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-143645) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-85964) (JOHN CUPCH) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-114924) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-128314) (FUNDS) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-146684) (WOMAN STRIKE FOR PEACE) (41)
- 1 - New York (100-84994) (GUS HALL) (415)
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July 19, 1962  
New York, N.Y.

There was a meeting of the West Side Club #1 C.P. at the home of [redacted] Monday evening July 16, 1962. The following were observed present [redacted] SARAH PLOTKIN [redacted] [redacted] JOHN CUTCH [redacted] Before the meeting started SARAH PLOTKIN was observed selling literature. She then said that due to physical disability she would be unable to be [redacted] was named in her stead.

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[redacted] She distributed petitions sponsored by the "Women Strike for Peace" to be signed and returned to her for general disarmament & a ban on testing of atomic bombs. She also distributed tickets for the Worker Picnic to be held Aug 5, 1962 Sunday at Lacks Casino in the Bronx. All were urged to attend.

The discussion for the night was to be based on GUS HALL's pamphlet "End the Cold War". SARAH said that she thought the pamphlet was incorrect misleading and contrary to fact. She quoted from a section saying the "masses are in action" and wanted to know "what masses". She claimed he gave the impression there were hundreds of thousands of people in motion which she said was contrary to fact. She also said that HALL hardly criticized the KENNEDY's and mostly the right. He referred to the KENNEDY's per GUS HALL as "Comrade KENNEDY". She insisted the threat was as great from the KENNEDYS as it was from the extreme right. She criticized the Sunday Worker for not being more denunciatory to the KENNEDYS. There was quite a discussion and SARAH was severely criticized for her characterizations. It was decided for the following discussion to have a basic discussion on [redacted]

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After the discussion [redacted] announced that [redacted] would be probably named in an administrative post with the new Spanish Language paper to be called "La Nueva Voz". The treasury of the club plus individual donations of each member gave a total of \$15 for the new paper. It was given to [redacted] to hand in at the next meeting of the paper's organizers.

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The next meeting will be held at the home of [redacted] [redacted] July 30, 1962. The meeting adjourned at 11:00 P.M.



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-148803)

DATE: 8/3/62

FROM : SA [redacted] (424)

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SUBJECT: LA NUEVA VOZ  
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Identity of Source [redacted]

Description of info

Info re "La Nueva Voz"  
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- 1 - [redacted] (INV.) (424)
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- 1 - 100- [redacted] ( )
- 1 - 100-143645 [redacted] ( )
- 1 - 105-43196-325 [redacted] (31)
- 1 - 100-44781 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100- [redacted] ( )
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- 1 - 100- [redacted] ( )
- 1 - 100-123538 [redacted] (31)
- 1 - 100- [redacted] ( )
- 1 - 100-95583 (LINE) (415)
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- 1 - 100-26603-62003 (CLUB #1 UWSCP) (424)
- 1 - 97-1670 (CASA CUBA) (31)
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100-95583-689

July 21, 1962  
New York, N.Y.

There was a meeting of interested people on a paper called "La Nueva Voz" in the 74 5th Ave Room 9-E at 8:00 P.M. on Friday July 20, 1962 N.Y.C. Among those observed present were JESUS COLON. [redacted]

[redacted] of Club Marti in the Bronx. JESUS COLON [redacted] seems to be in charge of the meeting, COLON open the meeting saying of the line the Newspaper is going to take, he said would not be far left that will defend will fight against injustices, committed with all Latinamericans here in U.S.A. mainly N.Y.C. that the paper would try to appeal to unionists principally in the needle trade, restaurants & factories which have a large percentage of Puerto Ricans & Latin Americans Workers. He stated that the Spanish Newspaper "La Nueva Voz" would not adopt an open communist line, he will write articles under his own name, the paper will be open to all shades of political opinion excepting open fascists.

He declared that 8000.00 was needed for the expenses of publishing the first issue. The post office address P.O. Box 205 Madison station N.Y.C. 10 N.Y. which is temporary until permanent offices are secured. [redacted] then stated that they encountered many financial difficulties in publishing their first 20,000 issues, but thanks to the ability of COLON, to secure credit that only by making a small downpayment. The first issue will be distributed throughout N.Y.C. 20,000 copies free of charge, each member pledged to organize clubs & organizations to help in the distribution and make collections for the paper. The first issue will contain an appeal for financial assistance. All present agree. [redacted] pledged to distributed with the help of her club the West Side etc to distributed 1,000 copies.

A collection was taken to pay for the expensas of the hall wich amounted \$14.00 [redacted] was observed giving a \$15.00 contribution from the West Side Club No.1 C.P. Then COLON said that the next meeting was indefinite but notices would be send to each participant. COLON urged all present to attend the mass meeting Sunday at 72 St. between 2 & 3rd Ave. N.Y.C. he streamed the importance of this meeting of Hospitals & Unions Workers etc. [redacted] offered his services as photographer to take pictures of this meeting for the next issue of the Spanish newspaper in September, [redacted] said that he will also take a pictures, but like amateur since he is not a profesional photographer. The meeting ended at 11:00 P.M.

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[redacted] came late to the meeting saying that he was in "Casa Cuba" discussing about the "gusanos" "Worms" showing up at the meeting Sunday at 72 & 2 Ave. that they are prepared for them.

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MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2003) DATE: 9/7/62  
FROM : SA [REDACTED] (424)  
SUBJECT: CLUB #1  
WESTSIDE COMMUNIST PARTY SECTION  
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Description of info Meeting of West Side Club #1  
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- 1 - 100-95583 (LINE) (415)
- 1 - 100-148803 (LA NUEVA VOZ) (413)
- 1 - 100-128813 (PAMPHLETS & PUBLICATIONS) (415)
- 1 - 100-149392 (EQUAL RIGHTS PARTY) (41)
- 1 - 100-128818 (LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY) (415)
- 1 - 100-26603-C2064 (SPANISH CLUB) (421)
- 1 - 100-129802 (COUNTERINTELLIGENCE) (41)
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Aug. 28, 1962  
New York, N.Y.

There was a meeting of the West Side Club #1 C.P.  
Aug. 27 Monday evening at the home of [redacted]

Among those observed present were SARAH PLOTKIN,  
[redacted]  
[redacted] Before the meeting started [redacted]  
collected dues, donations and Worker funds.

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The agenda consisted of sale of literature, report on the elections, the Labor Day issue of the Worker, the Spanish newspaper, and the discuss of GUS HALL's pamphlet "End the Cold War".

SARAH PLOTKIN sold literature. She emphasized one pamphlet "The Fraud of Anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union" She urged people present to take more than one to give or sell to friends. She also suggested a discussion on this which she termed highly literates.

On the elections there is an all-out mobilization to put [redacted] on the ballot of the "Equal Rights Party" as an Assemblyman. [redacted] stressed that this was a concentration point & mobilization of all Manhattan. [redacted] is an Afro-American. [redacted] said the present Assemblyman was a party hack and if [redacted] could get on the ballot he would draw votes from Maresca and possibly elect the Republican candidate a Negro woman who; as she said seems to be alright. Each member was asked to go twice a week at headquarters 125 St. & Amsterdam Ave. and go out and try & secure signatures to nominating petitions. [redacted] volunteered to go Wednesday & either Saturday or Sunday. SARAH volunteered to help in the office. [redacted] said she would go during the day. The drive ends September 10. She also stressed the importance of being there early in the evening.

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A special edition of Labor Day will be issued by the Worker, the West Side Club #1 ordered 40 papers. [redacted] volunteered to pick them up and give them out in the project. He will pick up the papers Thursday Aug. 30 at the Jefferson Book Shop.

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On the Spanish newspaper [redacted] pointed out the necessity of each member to be responsible for a newstand in the area. [redacted] who said they had some left-over copies of the free edition volunteered to distribute them the following day Tuesday night at the neighborhood project.

A new Spanish speaking C.P. Club has been formed. [redacted] was asked if she would like to join. It was felt by [redacted] that she could do better in the new club. The others objected to her leaving saying how important her work was to the club. [redacted] said that [redacted] would still remain with the Cuban group in the neighborhood and continue her work there. It was agreed that [redacted] would come back if things didn't work out.

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The discussion centered on GUS HALL's pamphlet "End the Cold War". SARAH used the occasion to again attack the party's position to the KENNEDY's saying that the Party just give them a slight slap on the wrist. She characterized the pamphlet as dull & unreadable. She complained about the ouster of [redacted] [redacted] said they weren't ousted or suspended & were working with the party. Later SARAH said HALL was a dull & uninspiring leader. It seems as [redacted] remarked "SARAH just doesn't seem to like GUS."

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The meeting ended at 11:00 P.M. The next meeting will be held at the home of SARAH PLOTKIN 109 W. 106 St. NYC Sept. 10, 1962.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2003)

DATE: 9/10/62

FROM: SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: CLUB #1  
WESTSIDE CP SECTION  
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Identity of Source [redacted]

Description of info

8/27/62, meeting  
of West Side Club  
#1 CP

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Date Received

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Original located [redacted]

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- 1-New York (100-95583) (Line) (415)
- 1-New York (100-148803) (La Nueva Voz) (413)
- 1-New York (100-128813) (Pamphlets & Publications) (415)
- 1-New York (100-149392) (Equal Rights Party) (41)
- 1-New York (100-128818) (Legislative Activity) (415)
- 1-New York (100-26603-C2064) (Spanish Club) (421)
- 1-New York (100-129802) (Counterintelligence) (41)
- 1-New York (100-7976) [redacted] (424)
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- 1-New York (100-143645) [redacted] (424)
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- 1-New York (100-87097) (SARAH PLOTKIN) (424)
- 1-New York (100-114924) [redacted] (424)
- 1-New York (100-84994) (GUS HALL) (415)
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Aug. 28, 1962  
New York N.Y.

Monday Aug. 27 the West Side Club No. 1 C.P. held a meeting at the home of [redacted] at 8:30 P.M.

Observed present were: [redacted]

[redacted] SARAH PLOTKIN [redacted]

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[redacted] she said that all the members should buy a one pamphlet "The Fraud of Soviet Anti-semitism", also urged to all present to take more and try to sell among friends & relatives, she suggested a discussion on this which she termed highly literate. [redacted] read the agenda consisted of sale of literature report on the elections, the Labor Day issue of the Worker, The Spanish newspaper and the discuss of GUS HALL's pamphlet "End the Cold War".

On the elections there is all-out mobilization to put [redacted] on the ballot of the "Equal Rights Party" as on Assemblymen [redacted] said that this was a concentration point & mobilization of all Manhattan [redacted] is Afro-American a party member back and if [redacted] could get on the ballot he would draw votes from Maresca and possibly elect the Republican candidate a Negro woman who seems to be allright. [redacted] urged, each member to go twice a week at headquarters 125 St. & Amsterdam Ave to go out & try to get signatures to nominating petitions, [redacted] volunteered to go Wed. & Saturday or Sunday SARAH volunteered to help in the office, [redacted] said she would go during the day.

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The drive ends Sep 10. Everybody should go early in the evening. A special edition of Labor Day would be issued by the Worker. The West Side Club No. 1 ordered 40 papers [redacted] volunteered to pick them up and give them out in the project, he will pick up the papers Thursday Aug 30 at the Jefferson Book Shop. On the Spanish Newspaper "La Nueva Voz" [redacted] said each member have to be responsible for a newstand in the aerea, [redacted] said they had some leftover copies of the free edition, that the following day Tuesday night they will distributed at the neighborhood project.

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[redacted] announced that a new Spanish speaking C.P. club has been formed, [redacted] was asked if she could do better in the new club, the others objected to her leaving. [redacted] SARAH said she better stay her but [redacted] said, [redacted] would still remain with the Cuban group in the neighborhood and continue to work there. It was agree that [redacted] would come back if things did't work out. Next item the discussion on GUS HALL's pamphlet as dull & difficult to read & understand. she complained about the ouster of [redacted] [redacted] answered that they were working with the Party that they weren't ouster or suspended. The meeting ended at 11:00 P.M. The next meeting will be held at the home of SARAH PLOTKI 109 W 106 St. N.Y.C. Sep 10, 1962.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2003) DATE: 9/20/62  
FROM : SA [redacted] (424)  
SUBJECT: CLUB #1 WEST SIDE COMMUNIST PARTY SECTION  
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Identity of Source [redacted]  
Description of info 9/10/62 meeting of West Side CP Club #1.  
Date Received 9/13/62  
Original Located [redacted]  
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- 1 - 100-87097 (SARAH PLOTKIN) (424)
- 1 - 100-88464 [redacted] (424)
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- 1 - 100-7976 [redacted] (424)
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- 1 - 100-121343 (FANTA GERSHAM) (424)
- 1 - 100-114924 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-125507 [redacted] (424)
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Sep 11, 1962  
New York, N.Y.

The West Side CP Club No. 1 held a meeting at the home of [redacted] Monday night Sept 10, 1962 at 8:30 P.M. N.Y.C. present there were: [redacted]

SARAH PLOTKIN, [redacted]

FANYA GRESBAM, [redacted]

[redacted] On the Worker paper [redacted] said club No. 1 will try to sell only the Spanish Newspaper "La Nueva Voz" and leave the Sunday & Mid-week Workers papers to other clubs. [redacted] gave a report on the meeting held Sunday at 2:30 P.M. at the Casa Cuba. He said the speakers all including himself stressed the unity of all those who support & defend of Cuba and for independence for Puerto Rico.

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[redacted] gave a report on the meeting at the hotel New Yorker Oct 21, 1962 Sunday at 2:00 P.M. under the auspices of the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee, she said that E.C.L.C. was having a week of seminars on the question of Constitutional Liberties so [redacted] were asked to attend the first seminar on the Mc Carran Act Monday night as a gesture of support from the club No. 1 date Sep 17, 1962 at the hotel Sheraton-Atlantic 34 St. & 6th Ave. N.Y.C. SARAH PLOTKIN start a discussion on Anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union, all the members agreed there was no official Anti-Semitism but there were some vestiges left over from the Stalin time or era. The campaign to put [redacted] on the ballot was next point to discussed. The campaign ends Sep 20, 1962. [redacted] pledget to help with the soliciting signatures on the petitions Wednesday Sep 12, 1962 evening. [redacted] announced the Worker & Mid-Week newspapers dinner Saturday Oct 7, 1962 at 7:30 P.M. She stressed the necessity of all to attend it will be held at American Russian Center 66 Lexington St. N.Y.C. The club voted to give full support to all members to attend.

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[redacted] was asked to attend the New Spanish speaking club. [redacted] objected and the others, stressing the [redacted] was needed at the West Side, [redacted] said that [redacted]:

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would have a better chance to nature politically in her own language. [redacted] said she will try & find out if she could advance there, in any case she could return to the West Side club. About the distribution on the Spanish La Nueva Voz [redacted] to started to sell on the newstands on the aerea of West Side [redacted] are going to all the proyects once at week to try to sell & get suscriptions, [redacted] is in charge of bringuing 150 copies to the group.

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[redacted] said that [redacted] was becoming a discuptive influence with his one man campaign for unity with certain Trotzkyete, a conference would be called to clarify the entire situation, she urged all to attend the picket line at U.N. Sep 18, at 47 St & first Ave betwen 5 to 7:00 P.M. The meeting ended at 11:00 P.M. The next meeting Sep 24, 1962 at [redacted]

SAC, NEW YORK (100-140667) (41)

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Date Received: 5/29/62

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- 1-New York: 100-144700 [redacted] (415)
- 1-New York: 100-130730 [redacted] (423)
- 1-New York: 100-130717 [redacted] (414)
- 1-New York: 100-117700 [redacted] (414)
- 1-New York: 100-130108 [redacted] (421)
- 1-New York: 100-136740 [redacted] (423)
- 1-New York: 100-124007 [redacted] (423)
- 1-New York: 100-130601 [redacted] (414)
- 1-New York: 100-145484 [redacted] (423)
- 1-New York: 100-112806 [redacted] (414)
- 1-New York: 100-101077 [redacted] (423)
- 1-New York: 100-130606 [redacted] (41)
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July 27, 1962

On July 24, 1962 at 8 P.M. a meeting of the board of advance was held at 80 Clinton Street, at their headquarters.

In attendance were

[REDACTED]

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The meeting was presided over by [REDACTED] The evenings discussion was on the September-Oct. convention. An agenda was agreed on for discussion on July 29, 1962 at Midvale, in the following areas.

- I Work Conference-Responsibility
- II Young Adults
- III College Council
- IV Geographic, Political concentration
- V Recruiting Campaign
- VI Leadership
- VII Mailing Hst
- VII Youth Mobilization
- VIII Concept of Federation
- IX New Horizons-Press Work
- X Organizational Approaches
- XI Convention

The meeting broke up at 11 P.M.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2003) DATE: 9/21/62  
FROM : SA [redacted] (424)  
SUBJECT: CLUB #1 WEST SIDE COMMUNIST PARTY SECTION  
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- 1 - 100-26603-C2064 (SPANISH CLUB) (421)
- 1 - 100-128314 (FUNDS) (415)

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Sept. 11, 1962  
New York, N.Y.

There was a meeting of the West Side C.P. Club #1 at the home of [redacted] Monday evening Sept. 10, 1962 at 8:30 P.M. Among those observed present were SARAH PLOTKIN, [redacted] FANYA GRESHAM, [redacted]

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Before the meeting started [redacted]

SARAH PLOTKIN lead a discussion on Anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union. It was agreed there was no official anti-Semitism although there were some vestiges left over from the Stalin area.

On the Worker [redacted] said Club #1 will try to sell principally the Spanish newspaper "La Nueva Voz" and leave the Sunday Worker to the other clubs.

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[redacted] gave a brief report on the meeting to be held under the auspices for the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee at the Hotel New Yorker, Oct 21, 1962 Sunday afternoon at 2:00 P.M. SARAH then sold literature.

[redacted] gave a brief report on the meeting held that Sunday afternoon at the Casa Cuba. He stressed the unity of all those present in defense of Cuba & independence for Puerto Rico.

[redacted] said that E.C.L.C. was having a week of seminars on the question of Constitutional Liberties as a gesture of support, [redacted] were asked to attend the first seminar on the Mc Carran Act Monday evening Sept 17 at the Hotel Sheraton-Atlantic 34 St & 6th Ave.

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[redacted] said that there would a dinner for the Worker & Mid-Week Worker Saturday Oct 7 at 7:30 P.M. She . . . . .

stressed the necessity of all to attend. The Club voted to give full support to the dinner and all promised to attend. It will be held at American Russian Center 66 Rivington St. N.Y.C.

The campaign to put [redacted] on the ballot was next discussed. The campaign ends Sept 20. [redacted] pledged to help with the soliciting of petitions Wednesday Sept 12, 1962.

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[redacted] then said that [redacted] was becoming a disruptive influence with his one man campaign for unity with certain Trotzkyite elements. She said a conference would be called in which he and members of various groups would be present to clarify the entire situation. No date was given for the meeting. All were urged to attend the picket line at U.N. Sept 18, 47th St + 1st Ave, fr. 5-7:00 PM.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 PM. Before adjoining [redacted] was asked to attend the new Spanish speaking Club. [redacted] strenuously objected and the others were lukewarm stressing that [redacted] was needed at the West Side. [redacted] said that [redacted] would have a better chance to mature politically in her own language. [redacted] said she felt the same way. It was decided that if there were any inconveniences [redacted] could return to the West Side Club. The next meeting Sept 24 will be held at the home of [redacted]

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-147513) (41)

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- 1-New York (100-16735) (JAMES E. JACKSON) (415)
- 1-New York (100-23236) (LOUIS WEINSTOCK) (424)
- 1-New York (100-82160) [redacted] (421)
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- 1-New York (100-146018) [redacted] (424)
- 1-New York (100-146019) [redacted] (424)
- 1-New York (100- [redacted]) (SARAH ROBIN) (415)
- 1-New York (97-169) (Publishers New Press) (415)
- 1-New York (100-95583) (Line) (415)
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Sunday, September 23, 1962

A joint meeting of the Manhattan Press Club and the Greater New York Press Club was held in room 11B of Adelphi Hall, 74 Fifth Ave., New York, N.Y., at 6 p.m., Wednesday, September 19, 1962. It was attended by approximately 55 persons, and broke up at about 7:45 p.m. The meeting was [redacted] speakers were JAMES E. JACKSON and LOUIS WEINSTOCK, all from the staff of "The Worker".

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[redacted] called the meeting to order, introduced himself for the benefit of those he thought might not know who he was, and then proposed an agenda which was speedily and unanimously adopted. He then introduced "Brother" JACKSON, who spoke on the issues facing the current session of the United Nations General Assembly.

Among the issues JACKSON said were most prominent, were the admission to UN. membership of "People's China" in the place of "the Formosa-Chaing Kai-Shek bandits", the stopping of the United States aggression against Cuba, and the settlement of the problem of a new Secretary-General. In answer to a query from the audience during the question and answer period which followed his talk, JACKSON said that a compromise between the Soviet Union's "trdka" proposal for the secretariat, and the Western bloc's view, might consist of a Secretary-General and two sub-secretaries with unanimous decisions of all three necessary to approve action in all "major" activities.

He began his speech by outlining the "set-up" at the UN. as divided into three groups: the "socialist" camp, which has thrown off all vestiges of greedy capitalism; the Western or capitalist bloc, which is still in the stage of monopolistic, colonial capitalism; and the uncommitted neutrals which have yet to develop into a full socialistic society.

JACKSON then noted the importance of the U.N. in restraining the acquisitive instincts of the capitalistic countries, particularly those actions against nations whose social outlook is different from theirs. He said that the United States' aggressiveness toward Cuba was an example of this, noting that the world stood on the sword's point of war last week, prevented only by President KENNEDY's cautious appraisal of world opinion as expressed in his latest press conference. Reiterating this view with slight variations several times, he noted that "I break out into a cold sweat whenever I think of how close war brushed past our own doorsteps" because of this country's continued aggressions against Cuba's national sovereignty. "And all because," he added "Cuba sees in socialism the only way to break free of colonial exploitation and work her way free toward an independent and vigorous democracy."

WEINSTOCK spoke of the importance of "The Worker" as giving voice to the aspirations of the great working mass of people, the only group capable of making significant statements and intelligent plans. He noted how the paper is quoted extensively on short wave broadcasts from Latin America, and added--with pride--how one of JACKSON's editorials was reprinted verbatim in "Pravda". He said that the paper was therefore adopting as its motto a suggestion "from Chicago" that it be called the "little paper with the great big voice". (GUS HALL noted from the audience later that the motto should soon read: "the big paper with the great big powerful voice".)

WEINSTOCK conceded that "The Worker" had considerable losses in circulation and that substantial help was needed from its friends and supporters. He passed around dime banks to all who would accept them and urged everyone to get them filled soon. He urged backing of the Worker Banquet on October 6, and asked for volunteers to cook, serve, and help out to keep down cost. He also urged help and support be given the bazaar.

Among those who attended the meeting, besides the aforementioned, were: [redacted] a tall brown-haired woman around forty whom WEINSTOCK called [redacted] and who took reservations for the Worker Banquet; [redacted] a tall and heavy-set elderly white male, with a moustache and very pinkish face, who complained that "The Worker" never prints the ads he gets for it in the issue which he's been promised. He also admonished [redacted] for smoking stogies", and quoted a "Pravda" article which he said proved that smoking causes lung cancer. An elderly, white-haired white male, who wore a hearing aid, made several inaudible comments. A white female of about 55, who pronounced her name something like SARAH RUBIN, complained about the way last year's Worker Bazaar was handled, that it was no wonder it didn't make hardly any money, and hoped that this year's would be an improvement. [redacted] assured her that all her points had been taken into consideration by the bazaar committee, and that it wouldn't happen again.

A collection was made "to defray the cost of renting the meeting room." On the way out, [redacted] asked [redacted] how she had enjoyed her trip. She said she had a wonderful time, and how did he know about it? He said that [redacted] told him. [redacted] had a literature table in the rear of the room, at which copies of "Mainstream", "USSR", "The Worker", and other publications were for sale.



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MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-147513) DATE: 10/5/62  
FROM : SA [redacted] (424)  
SUBJECT: MANHATTAN PRESS CLUB  
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Description of info Joint meeting of MPC and  
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- 1 - 100-95583 (LINE) (415)
- 1 - 100-82160 [redacted] (421)
- 1 - 100-114956 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100- [redacted] A DARK HEAVY-SET GIRL ATTENDED
- - - GNYPC 9/19/62 AS PER [redacted] ( )
- 1 - 100-133660 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-136577 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-84994 (GUS HALL) (415)
- 1 - 100-146019 [redacted] (424)
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- 1 - 100-139622 [redacted] (424)
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Thursday,  
September 27, 1962

A joint meeting of the Greater New York Press Club and the Manhattan Press Club was held on Wednesday, September 19, in room 11B of Adelphi Hall, 74 Fifth Ave., New York, N.Y. It was scheduled to start at 6 p.m., and ended about 7:45 p.m.

Approximately 55 persons attended the meeting:

Among them were [redacted] a dark heavy-set girl who had attended the New York School for Marxist Studies. [redacted] GUS HALL, [redacted] a woman named [redacted] who took reservations for the Worker Banquet, and [redacted] who took care of the literature table at the rear of the room. Among the publications on the table for sale, were "The Worker", "USSR", "Labor Today", "Mainstream", and others. [redacted] copies of L'Unita for Sept 1962, a Progressive Italian-American paper in Italian were also available.

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[redacted] of The Worker. Speakers were JAMES E. JACKSON, editor of The Worker, and LOUIS WEINSTOCK, business manager of The Worker. The topic for JACKSON's speech was "Issues before the United Nations General Assembly." Among the issues he noted were peace, halting of the United States' aggression against Cuba, and settlement of the U.N. Secretary-Generalship. He said also that it was important that all realize that the U.N. was divided into three camps: the socialist countries, which had thrown off the shackles of colonialism and monopoly capitalism; the neutralist countries, which are in a period of transition from capitalism toward socialism; and the capitalist bloc, which is trying to maintain itself by aggression toward weaker countries such as Cuba and monopolistic practices such as the European Common Market. Only when the Secretariat, as well as committee chairmanships, reflect this grouping, he said, would the U.N. be able to operate efficiently and maintain peace.

WEINSTOCK admitted a substantial decrease in Worker subscriptions. He urged increased support of the Worker Banquet and of the Worker Bazaar in order not only to insure, the continuance of the paper, but its expansion in size, coverage, and publication schedule.

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MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2003) DATE: 10/5/62  
FROM : SA [redacted] (424)  
SUBJECT: WEST SIDE COMMUNIST SECTION, CLUB #1  
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Description of info

West Side Club #1, CP,  
Meeting 9/24/62

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- 1 - 100-128810 (SECURITY MEASURES) (415)
- 1 - 100-86066 - [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-26603-C1879 (GREENWICH VILLAGE SECT) (424)
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- 1 - 100-128813 (PAMPHLETS & PUBLICATIONS) (415)
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New York, N.Y.  
Sept. 25, 1962

There was a meeting of West Side Club #1 Communist Party at the home of [redacted] Monday evening Sept 24, 1962. Among those observed present were [redacted] SARAH PLOTNIK, [redacted] JOHN CUTCH. Before the meeting [redacted] was observed collecting donations, sustaining funds, & pledges. The meeting started at 8:30 P.M.

[redacted] gave a report on the election campaign. She said the outstanding result was the renomination of RYAN. She that the reform elements had been strengthened. It was the pressure of she said of the progressive forces that put a Negro on the Democratic ticket for Albany. It is DUDLY who is running for Attorney General. She also mentioned that certain members of minorities won nominations for assemblymen, including Brooklyn where a Negro was nominated for assemblyman. [redacted] said that she still hadn't been able to make an appointment to see RYAN.

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There was no discussion but [redacted] are to lead a discussion on Algeria for the following meeting. SARAH sold literature to the various members present.

The next item was security. [redacted] were aghast at the part that one [redacted] had testified that WILLIAM ALBERTSON was a Communist. [redacted] said she was section organizer for Chelsea and that they had meetings in her home, she was sure that the house was taped and that the F.B.I. had recordings of the meetings. SARAH said that in the future no telephone calls should give addresses or names and certainly not call about meetings. People who are absent should try and make personal contact. [redacted] then said there was something fishy about [redacted] about his going to Europe and where he got the money for the trip. [redacted] then said that [redacted] had gone to the World Youth Festival in Helsinki as a delegate she did not know from where or what and that later she was invited to visit Hungary & Roumania - free. It is was hinted this was due to her being nymphomaniac rather a little free with herself. [redacted] said that she was never

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given any free expense stay on her trip last year, and she thought is a little suspicious about [redacted] trip and her free tour. [redacted] mentioned that she was not home by had been visited by the F.B.I.

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A leaflet about Cuba by the Worker has been printed. SARAH volunteered to distribute it on the subway station, [redacted] in the projects. LOU suggested for the Coordinating Committee that since there are 4 Spanish speaking persons each should alternate on the meetings so that each could have some free time.

[redacted] said that she was having a get-together at her home this Sunday evening for [redacted] as a farewell to his going to Europe. The next meeting will be held at the home of [redacted] Tuesday evening Oct. 9, 1962. The meeting adjourned at 10:45 P.M.

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MEMORANDUM

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- 1 - 100-128812 (Political Activity) (415)
- 1 - 100-145586 (Congressman RYAN) (424)
- 1 - 100-95583 (Line) (415)
- 1 - 100-128810 (Security Measures) (415)
- 1 - 100-86066 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-26603-C1879 (Greenwich Village Sect.) (424)
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New York, N.Y.  
Sep 25, 1962

The West Side Club No. 1 C.P. held a meeting at  
Sep 24 1962 at home of [redacted]  
[redacted] Monday at 8:30 P.M. NYC. Observed present were  
JOHN CUTCH.

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[redacted] SARAH PLOTNIK,  
[redacted]

[redacted] then she gave a report on the election  
campaign, the outstanding result was the denomination  
of RYAN, that the reform elements had been strengthened,  
she said the progressive forces had put a Negro on the  
Democratic ticket for Albany. It is DUDLY who is running  
for Attorney General, also mentioned that certain members  
of minorities won nominations for Assemblymen including  
Brooklyn, where a Negro was nominated for Assemblyman. There  
was no discussion but [redacted] supposed to lead a discussion  
on Algeria for the following meeting.

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SARAH PLOTNIK sold literature to all members. Next  
item was security. [redacted] were surprise at the  
fact that one [redacted] had testified that WILLIAM  
ALBERTSON was a communist, [redacted] said she was section  
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& herself had meetings in her horrible basemant apt,  
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in the future no telephone calls should give addresses or  
names and certainly nothing about meetings. People who are  
absent should try and make personal contact. [redacted]  
said that [redacted] had gone the World Youth Festival in  
Helsinki as a delegate, she did not know from where or what,  
and that later was invited to visit Hungary & Roumania all free.  
It is was hinted that this was due to her being Nynphomania.  
[redacted] said that she was never given any free expenses  
stay on her last trip 1961 and she thought a little suspicious  
about [redacted] trip and her free tour, she said [redacted]  
never did anything that she was not very active and look  
all she get and her trip, saying se was a delegate of nothing  
whatsoever, then mentioned that she was not home when had  
been visited by the F.B.I. [redacted] said something fishy  
about [redacted] scholarship to study in Europe  
and where he got the money for his trip, she said is not  
a such thing of scholarship any more.

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A leaflet about Cuba by the Worker has been printed  
SARAH volunteered to distribute it on the Subway entrance,  
[redacted] in the projects at Columbus & 96 St. LOUIS  
suggested for the coordinating committee that since there are  
four Spanish speaking in the West Side Club for committee for  
Friendly Relations with Cuba, each should alternate on the  
weekly meetings so each could have some rest. The next  
meeting will be at the home of [redacted]  
Tuesday at 8:30 PM, Oct. 9, 1962 then she announced a party  
this Sunday evening for [redacted] as a farewell to his  
trip to Europe. The meeting ended at 10:45 PM.

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MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: CLUB #1. WESTSIDE COMMUNIST PARTY SECTION  
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- 1 - 100-114924 [redacted] (424)
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New York, N.Y.  
Oct 13, 1962

There was a meeting of Club #1 West Side C.P.  
Wednesday Oct 10, 1962 at the home of [redacted]

[redacted] Due to a change of plans the meeting which was to be held Tuesday Oct 9, 1962 was changed to Oct 10. Among those observed present were [redacted]

[redacted] SARAH PLOTKIN [redacted]. Before the meeting [redacted] was observed collecting funds for dues, sustaining funds, and pledges to the Worker.

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[redacted] gave a brief report on the results of the primary. She also said that the petitions of [redacted] had been challenged on the primary. [redacted] said positive results were achieved in the primary mostly with the renomination of RYAN as Congressional candidate as the large vote for the Reform movement. She also said that the President had received wide support for his action in Mississippi in the Meredith Case. SARAH immediately attacked the party position on the reform movement saying she could not see how the party was so partial to the reform movement and that there did not seem to be any person of the Marcantonio type among them. She also did not believe that the party should have given so open support to as she said "Comrade KENNEDY". She insisted that the party was soft when it came to criticism of KENNEDY.

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The next topic was the sale of the "Nueva Voz". [redacted] volunteered to go the following day to see if they could sell some in the projects on 102 St. & Columbus Ave.

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The meeting of Oct 21, 1962 Sunday afternoon was discussed and the importance was stressed of getting a full hall.

The position of [redacted] was next taken up. A meeting is to be held in his home [redacted] Oct 23, 1962 to discuss the entire situation. SARAH PLOTKIN was observed selling literature. The next meeting will be held at the home of SARAH PLOTKIN Monday Oct 22, 1962 119 W. 106 St. NYC. The meeting adjourned at 11:00 P.M.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

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FROM : SA [redacted] (424)  
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New York, N.Y.  
Oct 13, 1962

The West Side Club No. 1 of C.P. held a meeting Oct 10, 1962 on Wednesday night at 8:30 P.M. at the home of [redacted] Due to a change of plans, the meeting which was to be held Tuesday Oct 9, 1962 was changed to Oct 10. Observed present were, [redacted]

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[redacted] SARAH PLOTKIN, [redacted]

[redacted] started collected the sustaining funds, funds for dues & Pledge to the Worker paper. Then she gave a brief report on the results of the primary, she said that the petitions of [redacted] had been challenged on the primary, the renomination of RYAN as congressional candidate, as the large vote for the Reform Democratic. the president had received wide support for his actions in Mississippi in the Meredith case. SARAH attacked the party position on the Reform movement, saying that there did not seem to be any push of the Marcontonio type among them, she insisted the party was soft when it came to criticism of KENNEDY. The next discussion was the sale of the paper "La Nueva Voz"

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[redacted] volunteered to go the next evening to see if they could sell in the projects 102 St & Columbus Ave. Then the meeting of Oct 21, 1962 Sunday at 2:30 P.M. was discussed and the importance of getting a full Hall. SARAH PLOTKIN sell literature. A meeting at the house of [redacted]

[redacted] Oct 23, 1962 to discuss his position was taken up. The next meeting will be held at the house of SARAH PLOTKIN Monday Oct 22, 1962 N.Y.C. 119 W 106 St at 8:30 P.M. The meeting ended at 11:00 P.M.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

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1 - New York (97-1670) (CASA CUBA) (31)  
1 - New York (109-81) (26TH OF JULY) (31)  
1 - New York (105-57983) (COMMITTEE FOR THE SOV. & IND. OF THE  
PEOPLES) (312)  
1 - New York (100-26603-C2064) (424)

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Oct 22, 1962  
New York, N.Y.

[redacted] was overheard saying that she had received a telephone call from [redacted] telling her to meet BILL ALBERTSON at 86 St & Broadway North West Corner tuesday Oct 16, 1962 at 8:15 P.M. N.Y.C. At that time she was observed meeting with BILL ALBERTSON & later the two were observed entering a building at 78 W 88 St on the ground floor Apt [redacted]. This later was ascertained to be a meeting of the Newly formed Spanish speaking club. Among those observed present were [redacted] [redacted] BILL ALBERTSON [redacted] [redacted]

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The meeting started at 9:00 P.M. with BILL ALBERTSON given a few introductory remarks. He said this group was being formed to help Latinamericans out of the confusion that exists among political developed Latins. He said a clubs are formed one in the Bronx one in Brooklyn and this one in Manhattan. The group decided to speak in Spanish. They started to elect a chairman, a secretary & treasury. [redacted] was elected

[redacted] Agenda consisting of "La Nueva Voz" Casa Cuba and organization was adopted and discussed. ORLANDO ROBLES started the discussion with the past mistakes of the 26 of July movement saying that they should never have register, and that there were many factions in the 26 of July. There was no time to discuss organization & newspaper. ORLANDO said that the New Committee for the Sovereignty & Independence of all peoples. Was full of Trotskyists and the best method to get rid of them. BILL was asked his advice. He said the group was the main force in try to get new members of Casa Cuba and other organizations to our meetings, and at the same time try to dissolve the New Committee, that we should approach Cuban, Puerto Ricans, etc. no matter what their organizations they were belong to and try to persuade them with our point of view that at the beginning was going to be very difficult and hard to convince the confusing Latins. The discussion was getting out of hand, so the chairman [redacted] call at order telling them that all meetings will be start at 8:30 P.M. Sharp to 11:00 P.M. that every other tuesday will meet; the discussion will continue

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the next meeting Oct 30 1962, no discussion or definitive decisions were taken the next meeting will be at the same address [redacted]

[redacted] was overheard saying to [redacted] that he will call her to a meeting next week to discuss the best way to get some help from members of others organizations He said that he will call more people that he have about 600 copies "La Nueva Voz" of the first edition [redacted] said that she will pick up more papers thursday Oct 18, 1962 at their offices 799 Broadway Room 214 and with help from her club go out & sell and try to get suscriptions. The meeting ended at 12 P.M.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2003)

Date: 11/5/62

FROM : SA [redacted] (424)

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SUBJECT: CLUB #1  
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- 1 - New York [redacted] (Inv.) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-125507) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-144078) (WSCFRC) (41)
- 1 - New York (100-57965) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-7976) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-136294) [redacted] (413)
- 1 - New York (105-42337) [redacted] (31)
- 1 - New York (105-46848) [redacted] (31)
- 1 - New York (100-137303) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-129629) (WILLIAM ALBERTSON) (414)
- 1 - New York (100-143645) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-145960) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-88464) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-87097) (SARAH PLOTKIN) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-114924) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-146684) (WOMEN STRIKE FOR PEACE) (41)
- 1 - New York (100-95583) (LINE) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-128823) (DOMESTIC ADM. MATTERS) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-129802) (COUNTERINTELLIGENCE) (41)
- 1 - New York (105-57983) (COMITE) (312)
- 1 - New York (100-46292) [redacted] (413)
- 1 - New York (100-137309) (WORKERS WORLD) (41)
- 1 - New York (100-26603-C42) (NY COUNTY CP) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-26603-C1920) (WESTSIDE CP SECTION) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-26603-C2003) (424)

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Description of info:

Meeting at home of [redacted]  
[redacted] re his attitude  
as CP member 10/23/62.

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Date Received:

10/31/62

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Original located:

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A copy of informant's report follows:

Oct 28, 1962  
New York, N.Y.

There was a meeting at the home of [redacted] Tuesday Oct. 23, 1962 at 8:30 PM to discuss his attitude as a C.P. member towards other C.P. members in the West Side Committee for Friendly Relations with Cuba. He had accused various persons as [redacted] of slandering certain people such as [redacted] as Trotzkyites and thinking that [redacted] was a positive factor. Among those observed present were BILL ALBERTSON [redacted]

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[redacted] SARAH PLOTKIN [redacted]

[redacted] BILL ALBERTSON led off the discussion with a short resume of the Peace Situation. He declared that need of support of Womens Strike for Peace and other peace organizations and voiced support of negotiations between KENNEDY & KRUSCHEV & the hope of intervention of the United Nations.

The matter turned to the subject matter, [redacted] accused [redacted] of being disruptive and being abusive. that he was not acting in accord with the other members of the CP in the West Side Comm. He was for example stated on his position of sending hopes for the success of the Committee for the Sovereignty & Liberty of Peoples when the West Side withdrew [redacted] then stated exactly what he thought of the Comm. He had suggested withdrawal from the first as an organ of Trotzkyism and opportunism. He cited that what had started as a defense of Cuba turned into a personal organ of [redacted] for Porto Rican Independence. He cited 2 leaflets one which he said was horrifying for its contents of armed revolt & the praise of those who attempted the attach against Blair House. Practically all spoke against [redacted]

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[redacted] defended himself saying that we must work with these people who represent a positive force and there was no proof they were actually Trotzkyites. For example he said [redacted] made a positive contribution.

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BILL then explained who were Trotzkyites. He said [redacted] was a well known Trotzkyite of the Workers World. That [redacted] was a two-faced adventurer that [redacted] was an unknown factor but seemed to have ties with Workers World. He explained the position was to support the West Side Comm. [redacted] then repeated the same assertions until BILL threatened [redacted] with expulsion from the party. When it was put to HARRY as expulsion of of conforming, he said he would work without criticizing of the West Side members. On such a warning and acceptance the meeting ended at 11:00 PM.

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November 2, 1962

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Would you please send me a copy of your recent statements regarding the Communist Party line.

I have just subscribed to "The Worker". This is an attempt on my part to become familiar with the techniques of Communist propaganda. Any advice you may offer would be appreciated.

Yours very truly,

[Redacted]

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Dear [Redacted]

Your letter of November 2, 1962, has been received, and the information you furnished is being made a matter of record in our files.

In response to your request, I am enclosing a copy of "The Communist Party Line," together with other publications on the general subject of communism. To become more familiar with the techniques of communist propoganda, I also would like to direct your attention to my books, "Masters of Deceit" and "A Study of Communism," in the event you have not read them. Copies may be available to you through your local libraries.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

Enclosures (5)

- ① - New York - Enclosure
- 1 - Dallas - Enclosure

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Meeting 10/23/62 re  
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Date Received:

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Original located:

A copy of informant's report follows:

Oct 28, 1962  
New York, N.Y.

Tuesday Oct 23, 1962 at 8:30 P.M.

There was a meeting at the home of [redacted] to discuss his attitude as a C.P. member towards other C.P. members, in the West Side Committee for Friendly Relations with Cuba. He had insulted & accused various members as [redacted] etc. and defending such people like [redacted] as Trotzkyites and thinking [redacted] is a positive factor. Present were, BILL ALBERTSON [redacted]

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[redacted] BILL ALBERTSON led off the discussion with a short resume of the Peace Situation. He stated the need of support of "Womens Strike for Peace", and other peace organizations. Then the subject matter about [redacted] started, [redacted] accused [redacted] of being disruptive, abusive, that he was not acting in accord with the other members of C.P. and of the West Side Comm etc. Practically everybody present were & spoke against him. [redacted] defended himself saying that we must work with these people who represent a positive force and there was no proof they were Trotzkytes.

BILL ALBERTSON explained who were Trotzkytes. [redacted] was a well-know Trotzkyte of the Workers World. [redacted] was a two faced adventurer, [redacted] seemed to have ties with Workers World. When it was put [redacted] as expulsion or of conforming, he said he would work without criticizing the Party. The meeting ended at 11:00 P.M.

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TO: SAC, BOSTON (100-7908)  
FROM: SA DARREL B. CURRIE  
SUBJECT: CP, USA, N. E. DISTRICT  
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Date of Report

11/1/62

Date(s) of activity

October 28, 1962

Brief description of activity or material

Attendance at Meeting of Officers  
of the District Committee, CP,  
USA, New England District, on 10/28/62

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Remarks:

In view of the sensitivity of the informant the utmost care must be utilized to carefully paraphrase this information prior to dissemination in order to protect the identity of the informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past.

- 2 - New York
  - (1) - 100-23825 (BEN DAVIS)
  - (1) - 100-95583 (CP, USA)

- 12 - Boston
  - (1) - [Redacted]
  - (1) - 100-24406 [Redacted]
  - (1) - 100-7908 (CP, USA, N. E. District)
  - (1) - 100-20778 (CP, USA, Membership)
  - (1) - 100-20779 (CP, USA, Organization)
  - (1) - 100-20787 (CP, USA - Factionalism)
  - (1) - 100-568 [Redacted]
  - (1) - 100-547 (ANNE TIMPSON)
  - (1) - 100-22939 [Redacted]
  - (1) - 100-28032 [Redacted]
  - (1) - 100-16341 [Redacted]
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Informant's report follows:

"Boston, Massachusetts  
November 1, 1962

"On Sunday October 28, 1962, a meeting of officers of the Communist Party (CP), USA, New England District, was held at the residence of OTIS HOOD in Holbrook, Massachusetts following BEN DAVIS' appearance at the Boston Jewish People's Forum, the same day. This meeting started about 2:00 P.M. and lasted to about 4:30. Present at this meeting were BEN DAVIS from New York, ANNE TIMPSON [redacted]  
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"At this meeting BEN DAVIS spoke of the organizational picture within the CP, saying that obviously something has to be done to strengthen the inner working of the National Office. He said that there was a serious decline in CP membership in New York and Chicago and in other areas. He referred to the New England District as being split up because of tactics of [redacted] and his group and the publication "Hammer and Steel." He thought that now was the time for unity rather than dissention. He said, there has been a meeting at the National Office on what should be done and there was a feeling that some changes would be made.

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"On the question of an Organizer in the New England District, DAVIS said, no one was available in New England and that the National Office must come up with an answer to this. There was general feeling that an Organizer was necessary for the New England District to get things going. ANNE BURLAK TIMPSON [redacted] seemed to feel that the trouble in New England was chargeable to [redacted] [redacted] and his supporters.

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"It was also pointed out that the National Office had not been represented at any of the last three District Committee meetings. DAVIS stated he would put this matter squarely before the National Office.



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"On the China-India question, BEN DAVIS seemed to be on a spot. DAVIS thought this was bad because it did not look good for Socialist China to be fighting a Neutral like India. In other words he felt that these Countries should be in agreement, not fighting each other.

"This is all the information I have at the present time."

All necessary action has been taken with respect to information furnished above.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C42)

Date: 11/20/62

FROM : SA [REDACTED] (424)

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SUBJECT: CP USA NY COUNTY  
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1 - New York [REDACTED] (Inv.) (424)  
1 - New York (100-128814) (ORGANIZATION) (415)  
1 - New York (100-84994) (GUS HALL) (415)  
1 - New York (100-95583) (LINE) (415)  
1 - New York (100-128815) (NEGRO QUESTION) (415)  
1 - New York (100-128804) (YOUTH MATTERS) (415)  
1 - New York (100-128314) (CP USA NYD FUNDS) (414)  
1 - New York (100-148803) (LA NUEVA VOZ)  
1 - New York (100-62955) [REDACTED] (424)  
1 - New York (100-129629) (BILL ALBERTSON) (414)  
1 - New York (100-133660) [REDACTED] (424)  
1 - New York (100-136577) [REDACTED] (424)  
1 - New York (100-7976) [REDACTED] (424)  
1 - New York (100-115617) [REDACTED] (424)  
1 - New York (100-111666) (JACK SHULMAN) (415)  
1 - New York (100-122352) (SHERRY MILLS) (424)  
1 - New York (100-143645) [REDACTED] (424)  
1 - New York (100-81394) [REDACTED] (424)  
1 - New York (105-45216) [REDACTED] (312)  
1 - New York (100-84994) [REDACTED] (415)  
1 - New York (100-27452) (BOB THOMPSON) (415)  
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Identity of Source:

Description of info:

Meeting of CP Area Coordinators  
11/1/62.

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Date Received:

11/8/62

Original located:

A copy of informant's report follows:

New York, N.Y.  
Nov 1, 1962

The Citizen Committee of the C.P. held a private meeting at George Washington Hotel 23 St & Lexington Ave on Nov 1, 1962 at 8:00 P.M. N.Y.C. Thursday.

Among those observed present were.

BILL ALBERTSON [REDACTED]

JACK SHULMAN SHERRY MILLS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BOB THOMPSON.

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BILL ALBERTSON open the meeting with few remarks about the Cuban crisis & Mississippi case. He brought up the question of the State leadership, PATTERSON remains in the post where he is, he is one the best spokeman in public relations. Party leadership in all level in N.Y.C. is the largest in the country, based on the report gave by GUS HALL at the National meeting of our party. The expansion of the party with so many groups taking part, like the Peace Committee, Negro, Youth groups and the struggle for our Ideology and mass movements, He said the Cuban Hokade brought us close to Nuclear War, but the reaction the socialist forces prevented it. Then he introduced BOB THOMPSON, the new State director, as the speaker. He devoted his speech to struggle for Marxism & Leninism for peaceful coexistence. The importance of Negro equal rights and the youth movement. He spoke of the need of the party giving directions to people working on mass organization. PATTERSON had to leave to attend a Banquet in Brooklyn. The West Side he said achieved 100% in sustaining fund, the pledge of the Worker on County basis was short \$1,400. He urged members to get 3 new subscriptions by the end of the year. he said the Spanish paper "La Nueva Voz" is not a communist paper. About [REDACTED] campaign he stated that we learned a lesson in the distrit 13 among the Puerto Ricans & Negro, we have to establish a club to work with that district, and go to harlem to begin concentrate with some kind of action, he spoke of the pression of the right and by peace forces & masses of the people to struggle in 3 fronts organization;

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mass organization of the party & Ideology understanding the role of the Working class. The labor movement is against the wages freeze and for a shorter Work Week, The first time since 1876.

There was a questions & answers period during which Cuba was discussed. The Soviet retreat to achieve certain objectives. The meeting ended at 11:00 P.M.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2003) (424)

Date: 11/21/62

FROM : SA [redacted] (424)

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SUBJECT: CLUB #1  
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- 1 - New York [redacted] (Inv.) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-26603-C42) (NY COUNTY CP) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-26603-C1920) (WESTSIDE CP SECTION) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-87097) (SARAH PLOTKIN) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-7976) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-145960) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-57965) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-114924) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-27452) (BOB THOMPSON) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-84275) (WILLIAM PATTERSON) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-84994) (GUS HALL) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-95583) (LINE) (415)
- 1 - New York (97-169) (PUBLISHERS NEW PRESS) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-128804) (YOUTH MATTERS) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-128815) (NEGRO QUESTION) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-128812) (POLITICAL ACTIVITIES) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-147372) (PROGRESSIVE LABOR) (412)
- 1 - New York (100-4013) (SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY) (413)
- 1 - New York (100-128314) (FUNDS) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-148803) (LA NUEVA VOZ) (413)
- 1 - New York (100-146697) (WSPC) (41)
- 1 - New York (105-40137) [redacted] (413)
- 1 - New York (97-1670) (CASA CUBA) (31)
- 1 - New York (105-39139) (MPI) (413)
- 1 - New York (100-144078) (WSCFCR) (41)
- 1 - New York (100-269) (HENRY WINSTON) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-128813) (PAMPHLETS AND PUBLICATIONS) (414)
- 1 - New York (100-26603-C2003) (424)

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Identity of Source:

Description of info: Meeting of West Side Club  
#1 CP 11/5/62.

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Date Received: 11/8/62

Original located:

A copy of informant's report follows:

Nov. 7, 1962  
New York, N.Y.

There was a meeting of the West Side Club #1 C.P.  
Monday Nov. 5, 1962 at the home of SARAH PLOTKIN 119 W 106 St  
N Y C. Among those observed present were SARAH PLOTKIN [redacted]  
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[redacted] gave a report of the area leaders meeting held Thursday Nov. 1, 1962. She stated first that BOB THOMPSON was the new state head WILLIAM PATTERSON remains in the state organization but in a publicity capacity. She stated that BOB based his report on the report of GUS HALL. She said that BOB said that there were 3 objectives ideological building of the party, and building of mass organizations. In the ideological struggle the party is more limited having rid itself of deviationists and revisionist groups. He stressed the need for building the party and new recruiting and the need for more work in mass organizations. He spoke of the present crises and said that thanks to the Soviet Union a nuclear war had been averted. For building the Worker each member must try and bring in 3 new subscriptions before the end of the year. He spoke of the growth of the youth movement and the necessity of participating in the struggle for Negro rights. On the political front it was necessary to struggle for the defeat of ROCKEFELLER as a symbol of the right.

In the discussion SARAH PLOTKIN again attacked the party leadership saying GUS HALL wasn't much and WILLIAM PATTERSON wasn't much better and that he should have been removed long ago. In the peace demonstrations she stated the party had done practically nothing except distribute a leaflet with as she said "Comrade Kennedy" picture on it. She said Progressive Labor came out with 2 leaflets and she thought the Socialist Workers Party had a good campaign platform. [redacted] in agreement with [redacted] attacked the S.W.P. as Trotzkyites and enemies of the working class. He also said that China was right in the fight with India and when SARAH praised the Indian C.P. for backing [redacted] called it pure opportunism. SARAH continued with more sharp words on the "do-nothing" party leadership. By mutual consent it was decided to halt discussion as it was getting late and was deteriorating into mere name calling without any corrective criticisms. [redacted] then collected dues, sustaining fund & pledge for the Worker.

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[redacted] stated that the "Nueva Voz" was in bad shape financially. He said that he & [redacted] were going out Tuesday to sell the paper. [redacted] volunteered to help.

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[redacted] said that she had written a letter to the West Side Peace Committee proposing joint action. LOU stated that he had spoken with [redacted] of the Casa Cuba and they agreed to be a part of the committee. He also said that he would talk to the Movimiento Pro-Independencia de Puerto Rico.

The West Side Committee for Friendly Relations with Cuba will have a meeting Wednesday Nov. 14 1962 at the home of [redacted] will send out the invitations. Due to the fact that there will be a mass meeting on Cuban and Peace at Webster Hall 12St near 4th Ave N.Y.C. Monday Nov. 19 at which BOB THOMPSON will be the principal speaker the meeting will be held Nov. 20 at the home of SARAH PLOTKIN 119 W. 106 St. NYC. [redacted] said the West Side Committee should run more social affairs to attract the youth. [redacted] will lead a discussion on Anti-Communism an article by HENRY WINSTON in World Review at the next meeting. The meeting adjourned at 11:00 P.M.

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MANHATTAN PRESS CLUB  
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Identity of Source: [redacted]

Description of info: Manhattan Press Club  
meeting 11/7/62

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Date Received: 11/8/62

Original located: [redacted]

A copy of informant's report follows:

- 1 - New York [redacted] (Inv.) (422)
- 1 - New York (100-147513) (GREATER NY PRESS CLUB) (41)
- 1 - New York (100-143600) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-135577) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-130397) [redacted] 424
- 1 - New York (100-141221) [redacted] (422)
- 1 - New York (105-4399) [redacted] 424
- 1 - New York (100-117956) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-100442) [redacted] 421
- 1 - New York (97-169) (PUBLISHERS NEW PRESS) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-95583) (CP USA LINE) (415)
- 1 - New York (109-112) (FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS-CUBA) (31)
- 1 - New York (100-147513) (41)

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11/8/62

On Wednesday evening, 11/7/62, a meeting of the Manhattan Press Club was held at Adelphi Hall, Room 11-G, 74 Fifth Ave., NYC.

Present were:



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The meeting lasted from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and most of the discussion was concerned with "The Worker" Bazaar which is to be held in December, 1962.

It was mentioned that on 11/15/62 a mass rally will be held in Webster Hall on East 11th St., between Third and Fourth Ave., NYC, and the topic of the rally will be Cuba and Peace Issues. It was also mentioned that [redacted] will distribute the copies of "The Worker" at this rally.

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2064) DATE: 11/23/62  
FROM : SA [REDACTED] (424)  
SUBJECT: SPANISH CLUB  
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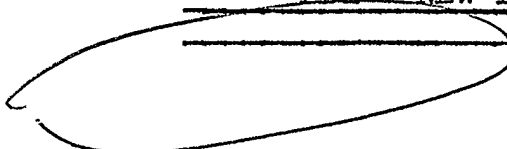
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New York, N.Y.  
October 30, 1962

Tuesday Oct 30 at 178 West 88 St apt-2, at 8:30 P.M.  
home of [redacted] there was a meeting of the new formed  
Spanish club C.P. of Manhattan N.Y.C. Observed present were,

[redacted]  
[redacted] BILL ALBERTSON, [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] They started to organized the agenda.  
[redacted] said Dues first or contributions next discussion of the  
Spanish Newspaper "La Nueva Voz" Then Casa Cuba. Monthly  
contributions of each member. [redacted] was observed collecting one  
dollar for each member. [redacted] said that "La Nueva Voz"  
needs help from everybody of the Spanish speaking people.

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[redacted] stated they need funds to pay all the expensas,  
that not many suspcrptions were taken, that there was about 400.

[redacted] said the Casa Cuba will organized some kind of  
affair to raise funds, plus some members will go out to try  
sell the papers at the news stands and the aptos houses. [redacted]

[redacted] invited all to attend a meeting at their offices 799  
Broadway room 214 to discuss the Newspaper, Saturday Nov 3, 1962  
at 2:00 P.M. [redacted] the cooperation of all the members

are needed so urged everybody to come for Saturday. Then [redacted]  
started to talk about Casa Cuba & the trotskysm. He said that  
they are not going to let any organization of Trytkytes to  
use their hall. They are going to form a committee of 10  
members to teach weekly at Casa Cuba to all the members &  
friends there how to follow the correct line, considering the  
current events of Cuba, a fully conference to clarify because  
so many are confused about politically matters. Then BILL  
ALBERTSON spoke about the Soviet missiles pulling out of Cuba,  
saying there is no such thing Offensive and Deffensive weapons,  
it all deppends in the sircunstances and the moment, he said  
that also KENNEDY is forced to lift up the blockade and  
Keep up his promised "No intervention in Cuba". He stated  
that the Soviets don't want War only Peace the Socialist  
countries only want to trade with Cuba is why the Soviets are  
taking out their missiles etc. He stated that from now on up  
to 10 or 15 years the Soviet Union & the Socialist countries  
will be on top of production 5 times or more against the capitalist  
countries of the World.

The next meeting will be Nov 13, 1962 tuesday at  
8:30 P.M. at 178 W 88 St N.Y.C. The meeting ended at 11:15 P.M.  
BILL ALBERTSON was overheard saying to [redacted]  
[redacted] to attend a special meeting for the all the officers of  
the C.P. at the Citicen Committee thursday Nov 1, 1962 at  
8:00 P.M. at George Washington Hotel 23 St & Lexington Ave.

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Nov 13, 1962  
New York, N.Y.

There was a meeting of the Spanish speaking club  
CP Tuesday night November 13, 1962 at the home of [redacted]  
[redacted] Observed present were:

[redacted] The meeting  
started at 9:00 P.M. [redacted] The first  
discussion was the sale of Spanish paper "La Nueva Voz"  
in Harlem & on newsstands in the barrio. Next item  
was Casa Cuba, related to cultural discussion every Friday  
night and lecture by JESUS COLON. A contest program with  
articles written by members of Casa Cuba, prizes will be given  
and this will create more interest in Casa Cuba. A plan to  
coordinate all the Peace groups on the West Side was discussed this  
would include the participation of Casa Cuba. [redacted]  
announced that he had attended a meeting Saturday & Sunday  
but he had not time study his notes that he will discuss  
his notes the following Tuesday to be held the same place  
home of [redacted] announced there would be a  
reception for the Bolshoi Ballet 60 Clinton St Monday Nov 26,  
1962 restricted for 50 people admission free. The meeting  
ended about 10:30 P.M. The next meeting will be at 1518  
Morris Ave Bx, NYC Tuesday Nov. 20.

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TO: SAC, ALBANY (100-11056)

DATE: 12/7/62

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-128814) (414)

SUBJECT: NYD CP-ORGANIZATION  
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On 11/8/62, NY 3791-S\*, who was in a position to furnish reliable information, advised a meeting of the New York District (NYD) CP Board was held on that date in Room 236, Prince George Hotel, 14 East 28th Street, NYC.

According to the informant WILLIAM PATTERSON brought the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. He gave the agenda as: remarks by BETTY (GANNETT); a report by BOB (THOMPSON); and a report of BILL (ALBERTSON).

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BETTY GANNETT's remarks were generally inaudible. She appeared to be referring to a meeting to be held Monday a week (11/19/62). She mentioned the details concerning this meeting would appear in "The Worker".

BOB THOMPSON began his report observing that since the last board meeting he and PATTERSON have had discussions which culminated at the staff meeting, Tuesday (11/6/62). They now have several proposals to make to the board. These proposals have been made to the National Center and it has approved them. Organizationally they deal primarily with the State Staff and Center.

The staff is of the opinion the central problems confronting the party in New York are not organizational in character. Their approach to organizational problems is to enable them to deal more effectively with the central problem.

By and large the membership is loyal to the party. However, there is the lack of understanding of; a lack of acceptance of; a lack of commitment to the specific political line and ideological premises upon which that line rests.

The reasons why they confront in this party this type of problem are:

The political line of the party was established at the 17th convention (12/10-13/59). It has been developing in an unprecedented world situation. For the past several years there has existed a fundamental division in outlook between two main sectors in the socialist world, the CPSU and the Chinese. This situation has had a profound effect on the development of Marxist thought and policy/every country in the world including the US.

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Today the political line and the ideological premises for that line developed in the CP, USA correspond to and are in accord with the political and ideological line developed by the CPSU and its application on a world scale to the actions of the Soviet Union and the socialist camp aligned with it.

The political line and ideological line developed by the Chinese Party runs directly counter to it in basic respects. Those problems are not being resolved and there is no immediate prospect for their being resolved. It is no longer possible to develop an effective struggle for the political line of the CP, USA and the ideological premises upon which that line rests without taking into account this fact and without beginning to deal with it correctly. The sharpest expression of these differences came to the fore in dealing with the war crisis, which arose around Cuba.

The course of action adopted by the Soviet Union was the decisive factor in preventing the outbreak of war. This the CP, USA hailed as a great triumph for world peace. The Chinese Party characterized that course of action as representing a "Munich betrayal".

The second area in which these differences are finding expression is in the outbreak of large scale fighting between India and China over the border question. Unquestionably in the present world situation there will be a fundamental solidarity between the countries of socialism and the international working class against every act of imperialist aggression developed against the countries of socialism and the newly independent ones. This does not obscure the fact the Chinese line has already done great damage.

Today the struggle for the line of the CP, USA for its concept of peaceful co-existence as the only framework from which today democratic progress and revolutionary change can be accomplished can not be effectively unfolded if they ignore the existence and influence of a different concept and course.

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The main opposition to Party policy in recent years had increasingly, as their gravitational center and orientation, the line and policy projected by the Chinese Party. It represents the basic political orientation of the Rosen Group. It represents increasingly the orientation of a wide range of individuals associated with [redacted] and a number of others.

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They must take off the blinders so far as this situation is concerned. They must be willing and able to meet this challenge to the line and policy of the CP, USA. They have to open a struggle for the specific political line and ideology of the party and to do that wherever necessary in blunt and open controversy.

This is the central problem they are confronted with. The central context within which they have to approach the problem of bringing about the fruit in the organization and structure of the Party.

They have to recognize something very basic has happened to the structure of the party in NY. In large measure the county organization of the Party has been demobilized as leading bodies of the Party and the structure of leadership in industry has also been largely demobilized. What happened was that the elimination of county and industry structures as centers of opposition in some instances went beyond that to the point of demobilization of the party itself. There must be a rebuilding of the Party as a system of organization which includes in the first place the rebuilding of authoritative policy-making, policy-administering centers of leadership in the counties and industry.

Within this framework the following proposals are put forth:

First the fact that his own (THOMPSON's) past position in the Party as a major leader of the Party both in the policy-making sphere and as a representative of the Party remain unaltered

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with his assignment to a position of central operating responsibility for the daily work of the Party. (I.e., the NYD CP.) Nothing THOMPSON has to say represents any change in that.

The National Office has requested the NYO Party leadership to make available BETTY GANNETT for a specific national post of very great importance.

It has also requested state leadership to make available [redacted] for work in connection with the National Office.

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It is proposed that BILL ALBERTSON at some point during the next couple of weeks when the decision with respect to BETTY becomes operative, become the Executive Secretary which includes to deal with the board work in the NY Party.

JIM TORMEY as soon as he can be relieved of his responsibilities for defense come on to the NY Staff responsible for trade union work.

It is also proposed that within the next week or ten days a young comrade of the type and caliber [redacted] [redacted] be brought into the state center as a part of the collective with the idea in mind of not only what that comrade can add to the immediate work of the Party but with the thought that as with [redacted] they are making a long term investment. Within the collective they can develop within the course of several/a new major force in the state leadership.  
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These are the proposals placed before the State Board at this time.

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At the conclusion of THOMPSON's report it was decided that seven minutes should be allotted per person for their comments upon it. In his remarks WILLIAM PATTERSON said that he does not fully agree with the proposals. Among those present who offered their comments were [REDACTED] BETTY (GANNETT) and LOUIS (WEINSTOCK).

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After the discussion THOMPSON made the summation and stated that he takes it / <sup>from</sup> the general tenor of discussion that these proposals meet with the approval of the board. He mentioned that how soon the transfer of responsibilities takes place will depend on how quickly certain things materialize with respect to the national proposals. Further with respect to the proposal regarding BETTY GANNETT it would not be advisable at this moment to throw it out for general discussion.

BETTY GANNETT then asked for a motion to approve the report and the proposals. The board voted by a show of hands and it was commented there were none opposed.

The meeting continued with WILLIAM ALBERTSON's report on the 11/6/62 elections. He discussed the alignment of the Parties in the US Congress, the amount of ticket splitting and said the major conclusion to be drawn from the elections is the ultra-right and reactionary forces did not make advances except in certain cases here and there. In the main the ultra-right was defeated. Public members of the John Birch Society in the Congressional Delegation from California, and one from Oklahoma were defeated. Also the Francis (ph) Amendment in California, a little McCarran Act, was defeated by some 700,000 votes.

There are now five Negro representatives in Congress and others were elected to State Office. A conclusion which can be drawn is that people probably voted in the main based on economic welfare and certain local issues. Governor ROCKEFELLER after two years and after spending millions of dollars did not increase his purity. LEVITT ran almost as an independent although he had the backing of the old Democratic machine. In the internal Democratic struggle the election results were somewhat of a defeat for WAGNER.

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The reapportionment pushed through by the Republicans and which was to aid them did not result in a gain for them in NYC or New York State. The reform movement increased its strength and in the primary struggle upcoming in the Democratic Party it will have a big role to play.

ALBERTSON then recited the election results in each district. After his report two minutes were allowed per person for comment. It was agreed further discussion on the election was needed.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:00 p.m.



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TO : SAC, BOSTON

DATE: 12/3/62

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-115609)

SUBJECT: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING HCUA  
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On 10/24/62, from 8:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. a "Pre-Election Rally to Abolish the House Un-American Activities Committee" was held at Manhattan Center, 34th St. and 8th Avenue, NYC. There were approximately 800 to 900 people present.

Among those present were:

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[Redacted]  
HOPE KAPPAS (maiden name) - white female, early 50's, dark hair, 5'4" to 5", 125 to 130 pounds, resides on the Lower East Side of Manhattan.

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[Redacted] the Reformed Democrats in the 19th Congressional District, NYC.

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GEORGE MORRIS

[Redacted]

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The speakers were:

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[Redacted] - Negro female, [Redacted]  
5'4", slender, dark brown complexion, [Redacted]

[Redacted]

[redacted]  
[redacted] "The Owl", Columbia University  
newspaper.  
[redacted] candidate for the NY State  
Assembly.  
[redacted] candidate from 4th  
CP Nassau County, N.Y.

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All of the speakers spoke against the House Un-American  
Activities Committee. [redacted] said that if he is elected to  
Congress in the next few years one of the first things he would  
do would be to work for the abolishment of the House Un-American  
Activities Committee.

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Nov. 22, 1962  
New York, N.Y.

There was a meeting of the West Side Club CP #1 at the home of SARAH PLOTKIN 119 W. 106 St. N.Y.C. Tuesday Nov. 20, 1962. The meeting had been put to Tuesday so that members could attend a mass meeting on Cuba & peace sponsored by the Worker & Mid-Week Worker on Monday Nov. 19 at Webster Hall. The meeting started about 9:00 P.M. Among those observed present were [redacted]

[redacted] SARAH PLOTKIN, JOHN CUTCH [redacted] There were many informal conversations overheard before the meeting started. SARAH said she had been informed by someone that BETTY GANNETT had been elected to the National Committee. BILL ALBERTSON takes her place in the state, and [redacted] is assigned to the county. There were disparaging remarks made by [redacted] SARAH [redacted] over the abilities of [redacted] When JOHN entered [redacted] informed him that all industrial clubs were being reactivated including all clubs that were disbanded, namely food & painters and so on down the line. Food had 2 clubs both are being reactivated. [redacted] said also that some people were being reassigned to the West Side and wasn't sure how they would be distributed. SARAH made sneering remarks about the capabilities of BILL ALBERTSON. There was an informal discussion of the previous night's meeting. It was unanimously agreed that it was a boring night without any particular enthusiasm. [redacted] said only [redacted] sounded alive but then he spoke in Spanish. SARAH wanted to know what happened to BEN DAVIS. She also made snide remarks about BOB THOMPSON claiming that he was about the most boring speaker she heard. [redacted] suggested that he was the main speaker more or less to introduce him as one of the leaders of N.Y. State. There was also an informal discussion on the arrests of [redacted]. The consensus of opinion strongly influenced by [redacted] was it was not a frame-up as some had previously thought but an ananilistic tendency. [redacted] pointed out that it was almost impossible for the F.B.I. to plan any evidence of that sort. All agreed that no words were strong enough to condemn such a wild reckless adventurous policy which could lead to a

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disastrous reaction. [ ] suggested that West Side for the time being refrain from any action with the Casa Cuba & the M.P.I. [ ] thought the events had nothing to do with M.P.I. but also supported [ ] in being careful in security matters with the Casa Cuba. One would feel that the arrests had caused a profound impression in the club. All were being forced to admit it was not a frame-up but the result of anarchistic tendencies that could damage the prestige of the party and deal a blow to the West Side Comm. for Friendly Relations with Cuba in its efforts to achieve a united action for Cuba & Peace. [ ] said that she had secured the house party for the West Side Comm. for Dec 15, 1962.

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[ ] She made a point of pledges for the Worker which were long overdue particularly to [ ] who so far had not honored his pledge for several months. He was observed giving \$5 as his pledge. [ ] sold tickets for the Soviet-American Friendship meeting at Carnegie Hall Mon. Nov. 26 all brought tickets at \$1.00 each.

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[ ] was urged to be it, but she claimed she had a lot of work & that her health would suffer. This occasioned a dressing down by [ ] who said she was trying to avoid activity and was the least active in the group. It was left hanging in the air.

[ ] lead a very brief discussion on Anti-Communism Enemy of Mankind. The discussion lasted only a few moments due to the lateness of the hour. [ ] pointed out the efforts of the ultra-right, wage-freezers, segregationist's all under the banner of anti-communism to fight all liberal & progressive legislation.

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[ ] said that an area meeting she heard a very extensive and instructive analysis of China. It was suggested that all West Side Clubs meet in 2 groups to hear the report. No date was suggested for the meeting nor a place., although it was felt a small room could be hired at the Beacon for example. The next meeting will be held Dec. 3, 1962 at the home of [ ] The meeting adjourned at 11:00 P.M.

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Description of info Meeting of Spanish CP Club 11/27/62.  
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Nov. 29, 1962  
New York, N.Y.

Tuesday Nov. 27 there was a meeting of the Spanish speaking club C.P. at the home of [redacted] at 8:30 P.M. Among those observed present were [redacted]

BILL ALBERTSON [redacted] BILL ALBERTSON opened the meeting saying that [redacted] was the [redacted] of the club this was agreed by the other members. he told [redacted] that she would attend all future meetings of the coordinadors of all clubs twice at month, he said he would inform her of future meetings. He stated the recent arrest of [redacted] was a frame up to create hysteria against progressive Cubans. He stated that two hours ago that [redacted] was freed. He said he spoke to her and she informed him, that she would lose her job. He said our problem was [redacted] and the other was a diplomatic question. We must raise funds for bail first for [redacted] & then for [redacted]. They have in mind to talk with some important people to help raise funds. He said a few weeks must pass before we are in a position to start a campaign to arouse public opinion to the "frame up" of [redacted] he said that would not be strange if his name as a high C.P. leader was mention in the case as he purchase a second hand car from [redacted] said a sum of money was raised and was being held in the house. BILL said that it would be better to have a checking account with two signatures. Then "La Nueva Voz" was discussed he said we must give better support to the paper. [redacted] said the paper was in very bad shape of the last edition 500 copies remained. BILL said that must be a Literature agent [redacted] was named the agent. BILL said there are planes to publish GUS HALL pamphlet "End the cold war" in Spanish it was felt that 1 000 copies would be enough for the first edition.

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[redacted] temporarily she collected dues for October & November. The next meeting will be held at the home of [redacted] [redacted] tuesday December 11, 1962. The meeting ended at 11:00 P.M.

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C41)      DATE: 12/17/62  
FROM : SA [redacted] (423)  
SUBJECT: QUEENS COUNTY COMMUNIST PARTY  
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Identity of Source      [redacted]      b7D  
Description of info      Special meeting of the Queens  
County CP to hear a special  
report by ROBERT THOMPSON,  
held on 12/3/62 at residence -  
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Dec. 4, 1962

This was a special meeting of the Queens County Communist Party to hear a special report on the ideological conflict between Moscow and Peiping, and the Cuban situation. The speaker was BOB THOMPSON, in charge of NY State work. There were 18 people present, among whom the following:

[redacted]  
[redacted] JENNIE (a  
78 year old comrade), an unidentified middle aged man, [redacted]  
[redacted] unknown woman (white about 40, dark  
hair).

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THOMPSON spoke for about 45 minutes, first dealing on the necessity of reorganizing the Party in Queens - by this he meant strengthening it. He said the Queens and other sections of the city received a heavy blow from the activities of [redacted] and his clique....we must reorganize our industrial cadres here...Queens will definitely benefit from it. When we look on the many industries, shops that have arisen in the last several years.....wanted to know from the comrades specifics, where they have been successful, where they have found opposition, or obstacles....we must analyse minutely these things, as Marxists do. On the Russian-Chinese conflict he said: For two years we have kept quite, at least publicly.... we made, although, our position clear long time ago, thru our repr. at the 81 Communist Parties Congress in Moscow (1959?) and thru other means that you may well understand....yes the Chinese comrades have known our position all along...we didn't want these to come to the open for obvious reasons, but their position has gone from bad to worst....The division, comrades, is serious...how can you refrain from being angry, when you read in the Communist press of China, that Cuba was being sold out, that there was a second Munich in the making? He accused China, on the Indo-Chinese situation. With their action they have practically destroyed our Party there...it has pushed India into the hands of British and American imperialism. The using of force there (referring to China) was fundamentally wrong. Further, THOMPSON said: the Chinese position in the ideological conflict is supported by North Korea, N. Vietnam, Indo-China, in many parts of North and Central American, and

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yes by a strong number in Cuba....Here he went on to explain some of the ideological conflict mainly that China does not believe in co-existence....that Socialist countries should give only to Socialist countries or those who are controlled by us (this is the Chinese position)...they don't understand, that Marxism is not static....they don't want to see that we can defeat imperialism thru co-existence....this misunderstanding may be due to the fact that China has a small working class.. that the leadership especially has no working class background, that they have known only to fight....they suffer also from narrow nationalism....they haven't understood as yet the great objective changes since world war II...they don't believe in modifying, or applying Marxism to the present situation....

THOMPSON denounced the explosions in Venezuela as the act of terrorist comrades....that was the Chinese approach... look at at the damaged created....many in the democratic front in Venezuela as elsewhere got frightened....it was not necessay.

In the discussion only [redacted] seemed to take the position more favorable to China....let us go slowly in making denunciation. We don't know all the elements in this struggle...let us remember the particular situation of China.... that the CIA might have provoked all this....The Worker has not been helpfull in this situation. In fact [redacted] went further. He said: "The Worker has not been clear at all in differentiating the war forces in our country. I don't agree with its presentation, with its line.

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To this THOMPSON jumped on him saying: "Than it is clear that you don't accept the Party line, that you don't accept the desision of our last Convention, on the matter of co-existence, which is also the correct policy of the Soviet Union. And here again he went on praising the Soviet Union "who has saved peace."

It was agreed that it was impossible to discuss the other issues raised at the beginning of his talk, but it was decided that the leadership of the Clubs, will discuss it at the next County meeting, and that another meeting will be arranged later to discuss the matter with THOMPSON.

[redacted] went over to THOMSON after the meeting trying to make his position "clear".....He was heard saying! Please how could you ever think that I disagree with the Party line?"

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In general the comrades were very pleased on the discussion. All were urged by THOMPSON and [redacted] to make the necessary preparation....and discuss this important issue in our Clubs. The State will be glad to have speakers at such meetings.

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[redacted] made a last appeal: Funds for the Worker and for the Party. He referred to the trial, which opens on the 11 of December and money is badly needed.

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The meeting took place, Monday, Dec. 3, at [redacted] home.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
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Date of report Nov. 13, 1962

The Bronx County Councils of the Communist Party, held an enlarged meeting on Monday night Nov. 12, at the Bronx Cultural Club, 868 E. 180 St.

There were about twenty people at this meeting, some of whom were [redacted]

[redacted], who attended the County Forums held on 9/7/62., [redacted]

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The guest speaker for the special meeting was BOB THOMPSON.

The topic was on the Cuban situation and some of the remarks stressed by BOB was, that as members of the Communist Party of the U.S. we have a responsibility, a duty an obligation to adhere to follow the line and policy of the Party to the letter, regardless of changing relationship of forces that are going on in all parts of the world.

One example is what is taking place between the Chinese and Indian Nations, the Chinese Communist have a perfect right attacking, because the territory in dispute has been a part of the Chinese territory many years ago.

The Cuban situation, since that fateful night when President KENNEDY issued his call for a "quarantine" against Cuba, has taken a turn for the better because the Peace loving forces in the world, led by Premier KRUSCHEV have shown the way out of that crisis.

It was KRUSCHEV who first proposed that in order to avoid a nuclear war, which meant the end of Cuba, New York, Boston, Chicago, Leningrad, etc. that he would withdraw the missiles, and other defensive weapons which were set up in Cuba, if the U.S. promised not to invade Cuba.

It was this move, that contrary to world opinion that the Soviet Union retreated, that brought to the forefront the role of peace maker to Premier KRUSCHEV.

BOB pointed out that, yes, if retreat the Soviet Union did in this Crucial situation it was a retreat, but only to save the world from a thermo nuclear war and utter distruction of the entire human race.

On a world scale the Communist Parties of the world undergoing the same crisis as the U.S. Communist Party, there is unrest in the Japaneese Party, in the North Korean Party, in the Viet Nameese Party, but this can and must be overcome by a complete understanding of the idealogical struggle that are taking place on a world scale.

The Cuban situation must be viewed with a different light, here a people have choosen a course of Socialism, of self-determination, due to the Impositiom placed upon it by the Imperialist Nations led by the U.S., the embargo of all materials vital to the needs of the Cuban people.

Led by a heroic leader, FIDEL CASTRO many changes have taken place, whereby the Cuban people are free from the imperialist domination, and power, they are free to choose their own form of government and Political understanding and have found excellent leadership and help from the Soviet Union.

The Soviet Union have sent in supplies, and defensive equipment and have sent in aid in the form of technicians who have raised the level of understanding of the Cuban people.

The peace forces in this Country have been influention in easing this crisis, aloud with many world leaders and many professors of various colleges.

It is only through this solidarity, in the Community, in the Nation and the world that a victory such as this is possible and we should continue to be active and alert and speak out for peace and a Cuban Crisis will never threaten us again.

A perfect example was, that soon after the President's speech, by telephone calls, a mass demonstration was organized the next day in front of the U.N. and the following Sunday more than ten thousand peace advacoter assembled in Bryant Park and marched to the U.N. in protest and against any action, blockade, quarantine or invasion of Cuba.

The Kennedy Administration was pressured into this situation by the Ultra right and the reactionary forces in Washington, including the war mongers, but we are fortunate that a KENNEDY considered the plea that Premier KRUSCHEV proposed, rather than risk a nuclear war, but had there been in the White House a NIXON, or a ROCKEFELLER, or a GOLDWATER etc. we would not be here tonight discussing the situation along with countless millions of people all over the world.

But let us not allow this more by the Kennedy administration to fool us, but to be on guard because these forces are still working behind the scenes and will not accept this set back, but will continue to play the invasion of Cuba in one way or another.

BOB continued to stress the role of the members of the Communist Party of the U.S., to stand united, to adhere to the line and Policy of the Comkunist Party of the U.S. along with the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, to work for Peace and to allow Countries to set up any form of government they choose without interference from any foreign power.

The question of the press and the role it will and can play in this crisis was stressed very strongly and it was urged that we do our utmost to circulate our Press around the masses and most important that we ourselves read it closely.

There was some mention of a re-organization in the Party and even though we have placed into operation the mandates of the 17th National Convention, where by, Sections were eliminated, some County organizations were changed, we see now that these changes did not materialize to the extent that the Convention foresaw. Therefor there will be a reevaluation of our work in the Party, in the Counties, Sections, etc. and some changes will take place in the future.

For this and other changes, aspects, and the position and line of the Party there will be ample discussions and we in the clubs must take the initial step and try to raise the Political and ideological understanding of our Comrades in the clubs. To this end, the leadership of the Party is willing to help in whatever manner it can, and if clubs need assistance speakers are and will be available for any future meetings, and to request same at the conclusion of this meeting.

BEN urged everyone to keep next Monday Nov. 19, open, and to take some of the throwaways that are here tonight, for next weeks meeting at Webster Hall. The topic will be on Cuba and prominent speakers and leaders of our Party will speak.

[ ] had copies of the "New Voice" and urged everyone to take copies for distribution.

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At the conclusion of the meeting [ ] asked BEN to arrange for a speaker to come to the next regular club meeting which would be held at [ ] house on Wed. night Nov. 28.

After the meeting [ ] walked [ ] home and she said that it was a very good meeting and that a meeting such as this should be held for the benefit of all members, because it will tend to enlighten those who have grave doubts in a crisis such as we have just undergone, and which took place at our regular club meeting where [ ] spoke bitterly on the role that the Soviet Union played.

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[ ] agreed with [ ] but said that such a meeting as was held tonight posed a danger, and many people would not attend for fear of exposure.

[ ] asked why [ ] did not attend and [ ] said it was a question of a baby sitter which kept her from attending.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

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FROM : SA [redacted] (424)  
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Description of info Meeting of NYCCP Coordinating  
Committee.  
Date Received 12/12/62  
Original Located [redacted]

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On 12/12/62, [redacted] advised that at this meeting one [redacted] medium build, partly bald was also in attendance. A photo of [redacted] (100-82863) was exhibited to [redacted] on 12/12/62 and she advised person depicted in photo was identical to [redacted]

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[redacted] also advised on 12/12/62 that subsequent to reported meeting she learned that the meeting was a meeting of section or area heads of the NYCCP.

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New York, N.Y.  
12/10/62

There was a meeting at 552 Riverside Drive corner 125 St at home of [redacted] 12/6/62. This was an Area meeting of clubs chairmans C.P. Among those observed present were BILL ALBERTSON [redacted]

[redacted] The meeting started at 8:30 P.M. BILL ALBERTSON was the chairman he gave the agenda as continuation of Ideological discussion second the Frame-up third "La Nueva Voz" fourth Women strike for Peace fifth funds & Welfare. etc. He discussed the china question saying they were right, and the cease fire advances the course of Peace the reactionaires are trying to extend the War, and fishing in troubled waters. There was a ½ hour on questions & answer on china all agreed the chinese people were right. On the spanish paper "La Nueva Voz" he said we are going to give full support of the paper. Both [redacted] [redacted] said that the paper was in very bad shape financially. BILL answer, that they have plans in mind which will be put into practical action, he said the Spanish speaking clubs will be made responsible for sale of the paper. Next was a report by [redacted] on the subpenas the Women Strike for Peace. They were summoned to appear in Washington, funds will be raised to help them. Then BILL said many chairmans were giving wrong reports to their clubs, so they decided to have a large meeting with all the officers of the clubs, Saturday January 5th from 10:00 A.M. to 5 P.M. the place is undecided yet some suggested at 575 6th Ave corner 16 St. Next was the frame-up BILL gave a report saying the recent arrest were absolutely Frame-Up. They were questioning the Frame-up BILL said there were many things fishy about the whole case such as finding an envelope with detonadors the return address of the Mission.

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BILL spoke of the Worker Drive County \$6,760.00 West Side gave \$1,680.00 Upper East Side \$1,011.00 Lower Manhattan \$1,432 Upper Manhattan \$870.00 then Sustaining funds Chelsea Nothing Harlem nothing Washington Hights \$1,350.00 Lower Manhattan \$1,625.00 he said a Drive is to be made to clean up all outstanding Sustaining funds. the meeting ended at 11:00 P.M. All the officers will meet at the home of [redacted] [redacted] at 8:30 P.M. sharp, 12/20/62.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C1920) DATE: 1/15/63  
FROM : SA [redacted] (424)  
SUBJECT: WEST SIDE COMMUNIST PARTY SECTION  
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January 3, 1963  
New York, N.Y.

There was a meeting of the West Side Area clubs C.P. under the name of Artists & Writers Forum at the old Jefferson School now the "Labor Forbend" 16th St & 6th Ave N.Y.C. Wednesday night January 2, 1963 at 8.30 P.M. Among those observed present were [redacted]

[redacted] SHERRING MILLS, ELSIE JAI SEN, TAMARA  
TKACH, [redacted] SARAH  
PLOTKIN, [redacted] Club #2, [redacted] Club #2, [redacted]

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[redacted] JACK STACHEL. SHERRING MILLS acted as chairlady. She introduced JACK STACHEL who lead the forum in a discussion of Albania, China, Cuba and the Soviet Union dealing principally with the current debate between China and the Soviet Union on peaceful coexistence.

STACHEL stated that there were fundamental differences between the Soviet Union & China. These differences base themselves on the Khrushchev policy of peaceful coexistence. The Soviet Union claims that a nuclear war must be avoided. China claims that imperialism is a paper tiger. The U.S. party supports the thesis of the Soviet Union, saying that is possible to replace capitalism peacefully. Albania had behaved in an outrageous manner casting aspersions on the intentions of the Soviet Union which Albania accuses of misleading the struggle against capitalism. On the Cuban question the statesmanship of the Soviet Union re KRUSHCHEV avoided a nuclear war. The tactics of China would have lead to a nuclear war. China's party, he declared, based itself principally on the peasant class and that is the reason that perhaps it follows such a policy. STACHEL said there is no alternative to peaceful coexistence. He cited the fact that during the Cuban crises China sent 300,000 letters urging Cuba to throw imperialism in the sea, instead of sending material aid. In the present policy with India, he said China may be right but it certainly did not help the peace in the world for China to have attacked, in spite of India's provocations.

There are many differences in the party itself concerning China's position and this has lead to dissensions in the party itself. He lumped the ultra-right with the ultra-left saying that the policies of both would lead to a nuclear war, in stead of compromises & negotiation.

He stated that the U.S. party had received warm praise for its stand on the elections urging the defeat of the ultra-right, Although he said the party was not "soft" on KENNEDY that he must be pushed to reform. He criticised the President for his recent address to the prisoners who returned from Cuba. He stressed repeatedly there was no alternative to co-existence. He concluded by saying there were 4 contradictions in the world today.

1. The contradiction between socialism & capitalism.
2. Internal difference between the capitalist & working class.
3. Contradiction between underdeveloped countries & advance capitalist countries. The growing of the colonial freedom movements throughout the world.
4. The contradiction between the imperialist nations themselves.

There was a discussion period which showed many just as confused on this problem as before. All hoped that the Worker would take a harder position on KENNEDY.

Copies of KRUSHEV's speech were distributed to all present to be personally distributed. [redacted] was overheard inviting [redacted] to the all day session to be held Jan 5, 1962 Saturday from 10 to 5:00 P.M. at the same place. The meeting ended at 10:30 P.M.

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Jan 6, 1963  
New York, N.Y.

There was an all day session of the Manhattan County C.P. at the Labor Farbend 16th St & 6th Ave N.Y.C. Saturday Jan 5, 1963 from 10:30 AM to 5:00 P.M. There were only about thirty persons present. Among those observed present were BETTY GANNETT, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SHERRING MILLS, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] JACK SCHILMAN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] The entire session was devoted to the recent controversy with China on fundamental principles of co-existence and peace. BETTY GANNETT was the only reporter on the problem.

At the beginning she suggested reading material 81 Party Statement - the 12 Party Statement of Nov, 1957. Editorial World Marxist Review Nov. 1962; Dec. World Marxist Review Editorial on Peaceful Co-Existence P.3 article on Page 9. KRUSCHEV Report, and lastly January Political Affairs Statement of Canadian Party.

She opened her statements saying that the time has become ripe for the American position to be made. The differences have come out in the open and they should be thoroughly discussed. There are now 2 centers of thought which have developed between the Soviet Union and China. These are of a basic nature. They have developed to the point where the parties of the world are making thier positions known. Of the 81 parties who signed the statement over 60 support the position of the Soviet Union some have not made their positions clear and others have supported China. All lead from a fundamental difference of thought on the following questions.

1. The Character of the New Epoch.
2. Question of War & Peace as of today,  
Difference on Peaceful Co-Existence & Disarmament
3. Role of Neutral Nations
4. Relation of Struggle of National Liberation & Peaceful Co-Existence



5. Differences in the struggle for National Liberation & Local Wars.
6. Differences on the possibility of Peaceful Co-Existence & why
7. Differences on the non-capitalist development of New Nations
8. How unity is to be attained among Marxist movement.

There is now a possibility of a peaceful transition to socialism without the necessity of the resort to arms to win power.

Marxism constantly changes. It is not a strict text to be followed. China maintains a dogmatic interpretation, which refuses to recognize any changes. Titoism is revisionism which believes that capitalism which is now leading to state capitalism will gradually give itself only to socialism. This is the viewpoint of EARL BROWDER &

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The Chinese position could easily lead to a nuclear war as it is unbending. The Chinese accuse American imperialism of being fascist, but that is contrary to the American party opinion. True there have been many inroads on the democratic rights, but we still have no fascism in the U.S., to believe so would weaken the struggle for democratic rights. On the question of Cuba, it is the ability & the willingness to compromise that lead so far to a peaceful solution in Cuba when KENNEDY brought the world to the brink of a nuclear war. It is due to a misunderstanding of the nature of peaceful co-existence, statements that China has made that American imperialism is a paper tiger are patently false because the U.S. still is a strong economic power and has the means of conducting a nuclear war. The fact that China skims over lightly that in case of a nuclear war mankind would be destroyed, saying to the contrary, even after a nuclear war man would exist and then capitalism would be crushed. This due to an under-estimation of the growing forces of socialism, that wherever socialism is growing, capitalism is declining. For the Chinese there is no thing as peaceful co-existence that imperialism must be destroyed. China sees no hope in disarmament but the Soviet Union sees in disarmament a great hope for peace. China

believes that it is impossible for colonialist countries to be free without an armed struggle. The Soviet Union believes that due to growing socialism colonialist countries could be free without resorting to armed struggle. China has misunderstood the role of the neutral nations. In the conflict with India had China acted with less belligerence events would have been different. China never should have undertaken the offensive she did. It pushed India into the path of the Western Nations. It split the Indian Communist party with disastrous results. Many of the best are in jail and the majority issued a statement that could only be condemned as a piece of national chauvinism.

She quoted extensively from issues of the Peking Review which consumed sometime. The meeting which was believed to have discussed some internal affairs of the country were nothing more than exposition of the American party C.P. support of the Soviet Union. She expressed hope that unity would be maintained and that there would be no irreparable split between the Soviet Union & China. The thinking of the Chinese party was based on the fact that it based itself on the peasantry & the intelligentsia and not the working class.

There was a break for lunch in which all present were asked to contribute a dollar for the cost.

There was a discussion period in which the only one who defended the Chinese position was JACK SCHULMAN. He was severely criticized for this. All present agreed with the present position of the Soviet Union vis-a vis to China. The meeting ended at 5:00 P.M.

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"District Committee Meeting Of 1/6/63

"The Communist Party's District Committee Meeting was held at the Jewish Center in Chelsea, Mass. on Jan. 6, 1963 between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. [redacted]

"Issues on the Agenda were: Fund Drive of 1963, Worker Circulation, Party organization and China-India.

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"Attended. ANNE B. TIMPSON [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

PHILIP BART of New York.

"Fund drive; The Communication that officially announced the new drive was read by the Chairman. Quota for this District is (\$3000) three thousand dollars, the starting date is 1/17/63.

"In a voice vote the quota was accepted unanimously with the understanding that no information is available regarding the defense fund drive at the present time.

"Circulation of the Worker; From all reports the Worker's circulation is a growing problem and no one seems to have a know the solution. No one wants to receive it in the mail and no one wants to do the foot work of delivery. PHILIP BART gave a report of the circulation in New Jersey which stated that the circulation was doubled but the reaction to that report did not indicate any hope that any such thing would be the case here. The issue is continued for further discussion by the clubs.

"Party Organization: PHILIP BART reported that the National Office is still in the reorganizational stage and that ARNOLD JOHNSON would be in Boston or in this district to give more time since there is no possibility of a District Organizer at the present.

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"Party Organization report was made by [redacted]  
[redacted] ANNE B. TIMPSON. The reports show that Dorchester Club, the Lithuanian Club and the Roxbury Club are positive functionaries with the rest of the clubs marking but not positive.

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"It was at this point that a proposal was made by ANNE B. TIMPSON to send in \$500 on the fund drive on 1/17 and to set a goal of raising \$500 by the next D.C. meeting. There was no opposition to these two proposals.

"PHILIP BART gave some points of information on the trial report which states that the case is being appealed and that no new date is expected before spring of 1963.

"China-India; PHILIP BART gave a very lengthy biography on this subject. It was apparent that PHILIP BART did intend to shorten or avoid the question and answer period which was sure to follow. And to the sharp points of information regarding the relation between China and the Soviet Union were not mentioned until by questioning. But sharp requests were made by ANNE B. TIMPSON, [redacted] and PHILIP BART for a more specific report. Then PHILIP BART actually gave a not too cheerful account of the relation break down between China and the Soviet Union. Furthermore, PHILIP BART stated that undoubtedly China is right in its views. PHILIP BART referred to [redacted] with a bit of respect regarding views on this question of China. So it is not clear rather the national office is sure of its policies on the situation of China and India.

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"Its evident that PHILIP BART is not anxious to be in this vicinity in the near future.

"The next District Committee meeting will be on Feb. 10, 1963. ARNOLD JOHNSON is scheduled to arrive for an Executive meeting on Monday night, Feb. 4, spend the week and attend the District Committee meeting on the 10th. He will probably stay a few days after the 10th.

"This is all the information I have at the present time."

All necessary action has been taken with respect to information furnished above.

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Jan 15, 1963  
New York, N.Y.

There was a meeting of West Side Club #1 C.P. Monday evening Jan 14, 1963 at 8:30 PM. at the home of SARAH PLOTKIN 119 W. 106 St N.Y.C. Among those observed present were

JOHN CUTCH. [redacted] SARAH PLOTKIN [redacted] FANYA GERSHAM, & BELLE "PHILLIPS"? a recent transfer from the Village area, about 65 to 70 white female, very skinny about 5' weight about 90 to 100 lbs, white hair, prominent lips, wears horn rimmed spectacles lives now on Riverside Drive between 96 & 97 St N.Y.C.

[redacted] acted as chairlady. First she collected dues & sustaining funds, many of the members were arrears in the payment of sustaining funds from 1962. She announced that new quotas had been set. Each member besides dues promised to raise a quota towards the Worker Drive and renewed their sustaining funds from last year to the present. She then took up the matter of the Spanish newspaper "La Nueva Voz". She said that it was in a deplorable state financially. She said that a new business agent had been assigned to work out distribution of the paper. Each club had been asked to contribute \$10 for its support. Each area had been asked to name a committee of three to meet in the future to discuss its condition. [redacted] were chosen to represent club #1. No time or date or place was set for the meeting but [redacted] promised to get in touch with [redacted] as to the future meeting. There was no literature on sale but [redacted] promised to act as literary agent and secure literature for the following meeting.

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The discussion was devoted to the question of the rift between the Soviet Union & China. [redacted] gave a report from the last 2 meetings held at the Labor Forbend 16 St & 6th Ave. She laid the ~~onus~~ onus for the rift on the dogmatic position of China. The only one who objected to the condemnation of China was SARAH who once again believed the party was soft on President KENNEDY. There was a lively exchange in which all present except SARAH supported the Soviet Union. Although there was some confusion about revisionism and Tito. [redacted] was asked to pick up 50 copies of the "Nueva Voz" for the West Side Committee for Friendly relations with Cuba. The next meeting will be held at the home of FANYA GERSHAM 233 W. 83 St N.Y.C. Apt 5E Monday evening Jan. 28, 1963. The meeting ended at 11:00 P.M.

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[redacted] announced that [redacted] resigned as section organizer due to health reasons. It was not announced who would replace her.

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Jan 29, 1963  
New York, N.Y.

There was a meeting of the West Side Club #1 C.P. Monday evening at 9:00 P.M. Jan 28, 1963 at the home of FANYA GERSHAM 233 W. 83 St NYC Apt 5E. Among those observed present were [redacted] SARAH PLOTKIN, FANYA GERSHAM, [redacted]  
[redacted]

It was decided to ask [redacted] if he would speak to an open meeting of the West Side Committee for Friendly Relations with Cuba at the home of the [redacted] [redacted] either Feb. 13 or 20. It will be further discussed at the West Side Cuba Comm. meeting Wednesday of the same week. It was decided to have a party at the home of the [redacted] if the house could be gotten sometime in the middle of March to raise funds for the Worker. The club has been set a quota of \$800 which was termed preposterous. [redacted] asked the people to turn in a third of their pledge before March 8 the night of the rally for the Worker.

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[redacted] she pointed out that [redacted] were in arrears for 1962 and urged them to do something.

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[redacted] said one [redacted] was appointed business manager of the Nueva Voz and the information he had was that the financial situation was very bad.

[redacted] There was another discussion on the Chinese-Russian rift. SARAH again voiced her approval of the Chinese line and began to sell copies of the Peking Review was rather odd in circumstances. It was mentioned that [redacted] would be able to attend a club meeting in 2 weeks. It was decided to have it in her home Feb. 11, 1963 150 W. 95 St NYC, Monday evening. The meeting adjourned at 11:00 P.M.

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CARE MUST BE USED IN REPORTING OR DISSEMINATING THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION SINCE ITS VERY NATURE TENDS TO IDENTIFY SENSITIVE AND HIGHLY PLACED INFORMANTS.

There follows a summary of sessions of a meeting of the National Executive Committee (NEC) of the Communist Party, USA (CPUSA) and invited guests held in New York City, January 27-30, 1963, as reported by informants identified under each day's session.

The Bureau was furnished daily teletype summaries followed by a letterhead memorandum and this is being submitted to fully disseminate the information.

January 27, 1963 (Great Northern Hotel, NYC)

Highlights of the remarks made by GUS HALL as furnished by CG 5824-S\* on January 28th and 30th, 1963 follow:

The struggle against dogmatism is a struggle to preserve and develop Marxism-Leninism as a living science. It is a struggle to develop this science so that it can be a guide to the solution of the problems of this epoch.

The unity of the world system of socialist nations and the unity of the World Marxist Movement is also involved. This struggle will determine whether Marxism and Leninism will remain as a living, growing, spring well of fresh and stimulating ideas and concepts. This struggle will decide whether Marxism will remain or will become a book of sterile abstract phrases, to be handed down through the ages, continually drying up and having less meaning to each new generation; and finally to be put on the shelf with other books such as Poor Richard's Almanac and the Bible.

Marxism and Leninism is never going to join Poor Richard's Almanac. As long as a science is anchored to objective reality, it will continue to grow and develop.

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All of the internal processes in the capitalist world move and develop in a direction that can lead only to continued decline, weakness and decay, while all of the internal processes in the socialist world move in the direction that guarantees increasing growth and strength.

There is now disunity among the capitalist allies and these shipwrecked alliances are a surprise to those who do not see the inner processes that eat away at the foundation of capitalism and imperialism.

The World Marxist Movement proceeds from the premise that the policies of peaceful coexistence are compatible and facilitate the class struggle, the end to colonialism and the emergence of world socialism.

The dogmatists view the policies of peaceful coexistence as being in contradiction to policies of class struggle, of national liberation and the struggle for socialism.

The concept of peaceful coexistence has enriched Marxism; and experience, life, and the realization of the damage caused by dogmatism and revisionism will bring unity back into the ranks of world Communism.

January 28, 1963 (Great Northern Hotel, NYC)

Report of this day's session was furnished by NY 3894-S\* on 1/28/63, as follows:

There was discussion at this session concerning the report delivered by GUS HALL on the preceding day. Speakers called for wider discussion of the problems created by dogmatism in order to clearly define the position of the CPUSA.

It was suggested that HALL's report be made available to all Districts for early distribution to the membership.



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There was discussion on legislative matters and proposals were made for further work in this field. It was stated that a favorable climate exists in the Congress regarding social, progressive legislation.

One proposal called for the organization of Party demonstrations by marches or rallies to further Party programs in the field of Negro rights.

Failure of the CPUSA to influence the left wing element in the United States was described as one of the Party's weaknesses and it was stated that the CPUSA must unite the people of the left in a broad movement.

January 20, 1963 (Great Northern Hotel, NYC)

Report on this day's session was furnished by NY 3894-S\* on 1/29/63, as follows:

An individual believed to be BEN DAVIS commented with reference to GUS HALL's speech that he believed that an alignment was building and that a very important approach was to the Democratic Party; said the Party should study the Democratic Party as regards to its approach to the masses. He noted that the 1960 Presidential elections proved that the Negro vote was for the Democratic Party. DAVIS said that through such experiences a policy can be developed and indicated that rather than have an independent movement an accommodation could be made within the Democratic Party. He said this could form a basis for discussion as to what might be possible. The conflicts and challenges presented should facilitate progress.

An individual believed to be BETTY GANNETT spoke on the electoral policy of the CP. It was her opinion that there was a strong independent force within the Democratic Party. She said that our electoral policy in the past went off on an independent tangent. She believed, however, that broad movements are in operation today noting as an example that the New York City Council was a coalition movement. She called for an immediate program now which would offer opportunity for the future; said that there was a growing group of peace forces in

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the area and a study should be made to determine where pressures would have their greatest effect; she called for support of independent representation within the Democratic Party. An individual whose identity was unknown to the informant expressed the opinion that working people will support those candidates who serve their interests and candidates should be made to follow the people's desires and pressures should be exerted in that direction.

MICKY LIMA spoke on the situation in California and noted that it was more important for candidates to stress a peace campaign. He said that in San Francisco a labor group selected their own candidates to represent them and fight on the important issues. LIMA noted that the "Birchite" hysteria is still a major problem in California but commented that picket lines and demonstrations will be used against them.

LOUIS (WEINSTOCK) stated that in regard to independent political action he would not dispute it as there are many progressive and socialist minded people today. He said, however, that a program must first be worked out in order to sit down with these various groups and discuss the major issues of today.

PHIL BART stated that there was a need for a fuller discussion of the major problem facing the Party such as the "left" movement and the KENNEDY Administration. He said this could result in a better understanding of the Party's policy and its application. BART noted that the most serious problem before the Party is to find ways in which to function effectively and then apply "our policy"; said there was a pressing need for the Party to rally forces in support of the labor movement because at present the labor movement is under constant attack by the anti-labor forces due to the present strike situation.

BART spoke of the need to increase the circulation of "The Worker" in order to exert the Party's influence. He called for an implementation of a program to increase circulation of "The Worker" by 1000 subscriptions. Five hundred of these would be obtained in the trade unions and the other 500 subscriptions would be obtained in the clubs and peace groups. He noted that in New Jersey they increased their "Worker" circulation in the unions by means of a promotional campaign. He concluded

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1; commenting that the Party is not giving sufficient attention to the "bread and butter problems." A speaker believed to be [redacted] commented with regard to youth activities; said there was a 70% gross increase over and above the past year but that the net increase was 50%, the differences being explained by the fact that members, because of age graduated from youth work. The speaker broke down youth membership into the following two categories: 1) 55% workers and 45% college students. [redacted] stated that most of the increase of recruits to the youth group came from families of left progressive backgrounds, the rest of those recruited had no "left" background whatsoever but were recruited from the neighborhood shops or by fellow students.

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[redacted] stated that there must not be any de-emphasis on youth recruitment because there are many young people around with "leftist thoughts" and they must be encouraged to join with us. He pointed out that this is particularly true of university students. He said that the particular questions which the potential recruits to the youth group face are the following: 1), lack of confidence in the working class; 2) the problem of peaceful coexistence and; 3) the Negro problem. He said that many young people with these questions unanswered, are joining our ranks with the idea of exchanging views on them.

The next speaker, believed to be LOUIS WEINSTOCK, gave a report on "The Worker." He pointed out that many "leftist organizations" advertised in "The Worker" but there are many more which do not. He cited the Spanish War veterans as an example of those who do not. He said the income from advertising comes to approximately \$35,000. The 1962 financial figures indicate that the main income of "The Worker" comes to \$96,700, which was derived from bundles and subscriptions. He noted that the total income in 1961 was \$72,511.

WEINSTOCK stated that new methods must be devised in order to get "The Worker" to our sympathizers noting that a full time effort is required to increase circulation. He suggested that "comrades" active in the peace movement, PTA or trade unions should take three or four extra copies of "The Worker" and concentrate on circulating them in their particular groups. He concluded by saying that if everyone did this they would obtain five thousand more subscriptions.

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An individual whose identity was unknown to the informant stated that an economic crisis was developing among youth, particularly as regards to the school problem and tuition. He called for the development of a program to satisfy the needs of youth who are moving towards socialism; said the Party needs to set up a program with concrete proposals. This individual said that his group is preparing a circular letter for all youth organizations in order to fight the McCarran Act. He said the Party must show youth the real character of the McCarran Act, and the Party's program should be an offensive one rather than a defensive one.

An individual whose identity was unknown to the informant stated that in his opinion the Party has lost a "certain sensitivity" in the late years. He said the experiences learned in the past were not being applied to present day situations. He said that millions of American workers are being deprived, but that today no effort is being made to seek out the younger comrades in order to have them work amongst these people in order to organize them. He felt that much could be done by even one "dedicated comrade" to start activity along these lines.

An individual believed to be GEORGE MEYERS, called for a self critical analysis of Party activity. He felt that the Party was making some progress in the legislative field, but that more needs to be done through the medium of collective discussion. He called for greater Party participation at the club level.

An individual believed to be HELEN WINTER spoke on the approach to fundamental <sup>Party</sup> issues. She said that there was much discussion, but little follow through on proposals. She called for the development of new ideas and approaches in order to spread Party influence. On the approach of new ideas she cited the fact that CARL (WINTER) about a year and a half ago, joined a class at the University of Michigan. She said that among the students of the class were some of the key people who are the opinion makers in Detroit. HELEN stated that CARL (WINTER) is accepted now and respected among the group. She felt that

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further activity along such lines would open avenues for the Party to mingle and meet new people and exchange ideas. She said that the "bookstore" in Detroit was another way in which she has the opportunity of meeting people and exchanging views. She said that University professors, students, Negro and African students, often come to the "bookstore" because they have the best collection on the American Negro. She noted that in this way she has met 50 or more people of importance and has exchanged views and issues with them. She commented that the new paperback series, New World Books, by International (Publishers) is being well received, and said that 9,581 of this series have been sold out of International (Publishers).

ROBERT THOMPSON, in his report, said that he would be taking over some of BILL ALBERTSON's duties. He discussed the political line of the CPUSA, commenting that CP leaders do not have a sufficient consciousness of the political role of the Party. He said that the transition to socialism in the US will not take place until one after an economic collapse of capitalism, two, after the entire dissolution of colonial and under-developed nations and three, after the period when imperialists have the capacity to utilize the Atom Bomb and revolutionary methods of war. THOMPSON stated that the strength of the CP lies in the labor movement and the Party must develop in the labor movement.

GUS HALL summarized the meeting and said that in future meetings the reports should be shorter, but that fuller discussion should be had of the major points in each report. HALL condemned dogmatism in the Party, and said the Party must always be aware and alert to new and fresh approaches to meet its problems. He said the leaders present should carry the points made back to their areas and put them in to action in their everyday activities. He complained that many CP leaders ignore mass currents which are pointed out at the meetings, and in fact, these individuals seem to have a contempt for those who do take note of the new mass currents. HALL said the Party must not become sectionalized and leaders must keep the whole picture before them. He said that a future meeting will be held to work out the Party policy. He criticized Party leaders for

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not getting the Party's directives to the entire mass of the membership. HALL said that most of the time directives get to the State Board leaders, but no further. He said the Party cannot claim to wage a political campaign when the leaders do not get the directives to the membership. HALL summed up the activity of the leadership with regard to the Party directives as follows: One-third will never say one word, give one speech or report on Party policy. One-third will make some reports, but they will be lacking in depth and richness, and the remaining one-third will report back to their State Boards, and that is as far as it will go. He said that as a result the richness of the Party's message never influenced the Party members. He suggested that if there had been fifteen youth leaders present at this meeting, there could be a tremendous growth in the Party. He also suggested that Negro leaders, trade union leaders, Party press members and others to be invited to listen to the reports of these meetings feel that if such were carried out, the results would be tremendous. He informed all leaders present to bring back a full report to their area.

HALL spoke briefly on the question of nationalism saying that it would vary as to its role, who was using it, and for what purpose. He said Marxists have never rejected nationalism, commenting that LENIN had said, "A little is not harmful." He said that nationalism played a role in Algeria, but that it would be damaging for Algeria. There is only one ultimate direction for nationalism - decline and elimination.

On the question of realignment and new political force, HALL said it can only take place when a new force is trying to capture it. He said his remarks are not in contradiction with the independence movement. He said the CP is and has to be a Party of the poor; the Party must exhibit militancy and its work must be dramatic, and only in such a way can the Party attract youth. He concluded by saying that the Party should encourage youth towards leadership and not discourage them.

The following motions were presented and adopted:

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- 1) GUS HALL's report was approved for publication in summary form by February 15th - to be passed out to the districts for discussion and use in their work.
- 2) ARNOLD's (JOHNSON) report to be edited and sent to the districts.
- 3) BEN DAVIS' report approved as well as his proposal for the CP to issue its own State of the Union message.
- 4) PHIL's (BART) report to be sent to the "org" Bureau and edited.
- 5) The National Board, CPUSA, to meet by February 15th - in order to determine how to get the results of this meeting to the membership.

Meeting adjourned 5:48 p.m.

January 30, 1963 (CP Headquarters, NYC)

Report on this day's session was furnished by NY 2359-S\* on 1/30/63, as follows:

Meeting of National Executive Committee, CPUSA, and invited guests convened at 10:20 a.m., in CP Headquarters, NYC. WILLIAM PATTERSON was chairman.

PATTERSON announced as very important point of information that TOTTEN, Vice-President of the NALC, died and the Executive Committee meeting which was to take place next weekend had been postponed indefinitely. (The reference is believed to be to ASHLEY TOTTEN, International Secretary and Treasurer of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters). PATTERSON said this means that "we" must see that the March on Washington is stressed in every locality and that a date be fixed because the date was originally to be fixed by the Executive Committee.

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ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN spoke on the defense question stating needs of districts should be discussed and criticism of the comrades on defense work should be obtained. She noted she was speaking specifically of the HALL - DAVIS Defense Committee which was set up last April, and is for defense of all who are victims of Communist action section of McCarran Act. She pointed out other individuals and organizations come under the Communist Front Section and have their own committees. She said "we collaborate with them but are not directly involved in their work." FLYNN stated "Comrade [redacted] who was our [redacted] has been reluctantly released by our committee to an assignment in New York State," She said "the comrades have elected Comrade [redacted] to serve as the [redacted] - not in the field as [redacted] was able to do - but in the office."

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FLYNN reviewed legal situation as follows:

Communist Party trial in Washington was undramatic and routine on such an historic occasion of the trial of a political party. The membership cases now total 14: 6 in the East, 4 on the Pacific Coast and 4 in the mid-West. As in all membership trials, the outstanding fact is the stool pigeons. Some of them are not too surprising but some of them come as very great surprises. The lawyers will probably ultimately agree to combine all those cases and have two test cases. It has been suggested the two test cases be Comrade ALBERTSON here and Comrade [redacted] on the West Coast, but this is all tentative. Of course, the SACB wants to keep alive so there is no guaranty there will not be other membership type cases.

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There are membership indictments against five/our of comrades-leaders and they are under bail and very much restricted in travel rights. No dates have been set for trials of GUS HALL and BEN DAVIS and we should take advantage of the delay. The government is deliberately delaying because they know it is difficult for us to keep constantly on an emergency basis. There is a new front case - the young people connected with the "Advance" group. This case is based to such an extent on the theory of



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parallelism that I think we should tell [redacted] that the issues they (Advance) have been cited on, [redacted] could be cited on too. [redacted] stands for every one of the things that are listed on the (Advance) program even including opposition to the McCarran Act and opposition to universal military training.

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We have had wide distribution of the brochure on Comrade HALL's speech to the students, Comrade DAVIS' speech at Harvard, the brochure on membership cases and the passport brochure. A speech of JOHN ABT has been recorded, entitled "Now is the Time", for sale at 10¢ a copy or 6¢ in bulk for wide distribution. A speakers guide on the McCarran Act is being prepared and the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee has gotten out a resume on the origin of the McCarran Act and we will secure a bundle of them.

On finances, the response has been excellent. Up to date, the figures are about \$40,000. There is practically no district that has not responded. Some are over the top, others are near it, and a very few are "dragging the anchor." This is for the period from April to December (1962). Other people sent in money. We had ads in "The Worker," "The Nation," "The Guardian," "Peoples World" and "The Freiheit." We received contributions from many districts and we tried to send back the names of the people who have given contributions. All bills are paid to lawyers including money which the Party originally owed the lawyers on the McCarran Act.

There are some new actions in the works which I think you should know about. One is what we call the "V.I.P." movement. [redacted] would you mind putting on the board (blackboard) some of things about the "V.I.P. Programs". (At this point [redacted] wrote uninterruptedly for about six minutes. Possibly the program involves contacting very important persons for contributions to Communist Party defense). Response from abroad has been remarkable and there are committees in England, Germany, Norway and many other places. Unfortunately, there is not the same interest at home. We simply must break through. We need publicity. Every district must send letters to newspapers and magazines. We must also answer criticisms. For instance,

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[redacted] had an article in "a Minority of One" which had very snide references to our Party. The name of the article was "Persecution of the Communists," but in it he practically says that the Party is not in any great danger. It will finally result in "just a few FBI's" and that the financing of the Party is almost entirely by the FBI today, according to [redacted] and he takes [redacted] article as practically gospel. We must make sharp protest about these things. Many of the so-called defenders of civil liberties by-pass the Party even though they defend front organizations and infiltrated organizations. The McCarran Act is complicated and many of the comrades do not understand it.

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In discussion following FLYNN's report, DOROTY HEALEY described the McCarran Act as potentially one of the broadest issues in the country. She said non-Communist groups are also concerned with this act and are interested in publicizing what it means to all people "not just the Communists." With respect to the trial of the CPUSA, HEALEY said "we should organize now, nationally, for an amicus curiae brief for the appeal" covering such aspects as cruel and inhuman punishment and the fact that the CPUSA is a political party only.

PHIL BART announced "certain organizational changes" stating, "I'd like all here to know about BETTY's (GANNETT) appointment as executive editor of 'Political Affairs'."

GUS HALL said question of defense of the Party is now at its highest level and great bulk of credit should go to ELIZABETH (FLYNN).

WILLIAM PATTERSON described the trial in Washington as "no trial at all" as the Department of Justice merely impaneled a jury "to find what was not hidden - that the Party had refused to register." He said the Citizens Committee (For Constitutional Liberties) is in the process of transformation and "we hope to strengthen the group in New York and make it a firm defense against the McCarran Act."

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[redacted] mentioned the SACB hearing on CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT held in Chicago and said HALL - [redacted] Committee in Chicago had sent out about 1500 letters asking for observers. According to [redacted] the sight of trained stooges surrounded by the FBI and attorneys for the United States "shook the students and other people present." He said he thought a great deal had been gained at Chicago and "we should examine this question of mobilizing people at these hearings."

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MICKEY LIMA said, in California there is a change in the fight against the McCarran Act. Professors at the University of California have asked that the ban against Communist speakers be lifted and that the HCUA be abolished. The Pacifica Radio Station has said they will continue to let Communists speak and the Northern California District Council of the ILWU (International Longshoremen and Warehousemen's Union), as well as defense committees, are setting up a campaign in labor/the repeal of the McCarran Act.

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LOUIS WEINSTOCK stated, "these damn stool pigeons that testify against us are being paid by the Department of Justice" and the American people should know about this. He said he thinks there is a conspiracy in Washington against the entire labor movement.

[redacted] said there is movement afoot to get signatures of prominent people for repeal of the McCarran Act but he does not know the progress of it. (Reference may have been to "V.I.P. movement" mentioned by FLYNN). [redacted] read a portion of petition of Department to SACB asking them to cite "Advance." He said that the government has tried to outlaw a youth organization because of its ideas. According to [redacted] Advance has done a good job in contacting adult and youth leaders around the country for support and the response has been good. He called for more publicity in "our own press" and for consideration of what can be done on the adult level. It was agreed that copies of the petition on "Advance" will be prepared and made available to the districts.

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BEN DAVIS took note of the campaign being conducted by "Advance" against the McCarran Act and commented "As far as I know that is the only campaign that is being conducted." He said, "without taking issue with ELIZABETH's work" he felt the Party must fight harder and not just sit back and wait for the trials to start. He called for a speaking campaign and greater publicity in "The Worker" in order to involve a greater number of people in the fight against the McCarran Act which he said "we should begin to call this act the concentration camp law."

JAMES TORMEY said working with ELIZABETH (FLYNN) has been one of the greatest experiences of his life and he wanted to express appreciation to Party for placing him in the position held in "that critical field of work" with the Hall - Davis Defense Committee. TORMEY stated primary emphasis must be on appeal for freedom of HALL and DAVIS and a quashing of the indictment against the CPUSA but must guard against "one-trackism" and struggle against all aspects of the McCarran Act.

ARNOLD JOHNSON said the Party case as such is decisive on whether the McCarran Act stands or falls.

JAMES ALLEN suggested the use of more pamphlets to reach groups and individuals who might support the Party in the struggle against the McCarran Act. FLYNN proposed that BEN DAVIS tour country and acquaint people with the McCarran Act.

PATTERSON called for approval of proposals made by FLYNN and there were no objections.

The meeting adjourned 2:11 p.m.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, CLEVELAND  
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-80641)  
SUBJECT: CPUSA - ORGANIZATION  
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DATE: 2/19/63

On 2/7/63, NY 2359-S\* advised that on the above date, a meeting of leading CPUSA functionaries was held in the third floor board room at CP Headquarters, NYC. In attendance were the following:

- BEN DAVIS
- PHIL BART
- JACK STACHEL
- WILLIAM WEINSTONE
- WILLIAM ALBERTSON
- BETTY GANNETT
- IRVING POTASH
- ARNOLD JOHNSON

The pertinent comments made at the meeting as reported by NY 2359-S\*, are set forth as follows:

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- 1-New York (100-56579) (PHIL BART) (414)
- 1-New York (100-18065) (JACK STACHEL) (414)
- 1-New York (100-9595) (WILLIAM WEINSTONE) (414)
- 1-New York (100-129129) (WILLIAM ALBERTSON) (414)
- 1-New York (100-13483) (BETTY GANNETT) (414)
- 1-New York (100-48033) (IRVING POTASH) (414)
- 1-New York (100-16021) (ARNOLD JOHNSON) (414)
- 1-New York (100-132360) [redacted]
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PHIL BART

It was proposed that GUS' (HALL) presentation appear in the form of a pamphlet. The second proposal was that an article be prepared for "Political Affairs" and this should be ready for the next issue. It was also proposed that besides getting all the material out in this form, that we also get all of it out under one cover. It was proposed that the material be prepared for the membership which can be done without too much extra cost. This cannot be done before sometime in March. (BART apparently is referring to the recent NEC, CPUSA meeting.)

JACK STACHEL

STACHEL commented that sometime between March and April, a series of meetings should be held to emphasize certain activities of the Party. He thought that discussion should be held on the question of the Party's legislative work as well as local activities with regard to political action, housing, schools and the like. Another meeting could be devoted primarily to the Negro question, as well as a Party statement with regard to the Negro-Labor Alliance. He thought that there was no reason why the time required to pull the forces together should not be done in order for the Party to examine its work. He felt that if this was done the Party would come out stronger ideologically, politically and organizationally. He felt that the Party should resolve the problem regarding the struggle for the line of the Party. He said that each week one hour should deal specifically with the aspect of the Party line.

WILLIAM WEINSTONE

WEINSTONE felt that with regard to "Worker" forums, there should be more than one. He felt that there should possibly be a "Worker" - Literature Conference in order to emphasize to the membership that they should read more. He felt that what was needed to "shape up the Party" was to give it orientation. He noted that they could not have a convention

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but that they could have a conference. He said a conference would mean that all levels of organization would have organized discussion. He felt strongly that such a conference should take place within three months. He thought that such a conference which would mean the mobilization of the membership to discuss basic policies with the lead from the top would be "wonderfully refreshing".

WILLIAM ALBERTSON

ALBERTSON commented that he has attended a number of club meetings in the past month, and the membership at the club level are discussing international affairs. He indicated however, that there was a great deal of confusion.

BEN DAVIS

DAVIS commented that one of the basic Party weaknesses is its inability to get the thinking of the national leadership down to the club level. He noted that GUS (HALL) tried to highlight this in his opening statement. DAVIS indicated that there was a plan being prepared wherein there would be a new relationship between the clubs and the national leadership. He described this as the grand design of JACK's plan (STACHEL).

DAVIS felt that <sup>every</sup>state in the organization should comment as to what they are doing in their efforts to reach the bottom of the Party. DAVIS felt further that one method might be to have editorials in "The Worker" as well as in "Political Affairs".

DAVIS said that with regard to GUS' report, the heart of the report is the question of peaceful co-existence and what it means. DAVIS apparently in referring to the recent NEC, CPUSA meeting said that "we" felt that the meeting was an improvement over the previous one but that GUS' report was not taken up as it should have been. He felt also that the meeting paid more attention to the American scene and the Party sought to apply its policies to the American scene much more than in the past.

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DAVIS, still apparently referring to the NEC meeting, felt that there were certain weaknesses regarding that meeting noting that some of the discussions were not well organized and that some of the report were not discussed at all. He said everyone wanted to discuss GUS' report and therefore they never got to the other reports.

DAVIS concluded his remarks by saying that the problem now is to get the results of that meeting to the Party as a whole, to the public and to the "left". He said that there was a terrible need to fill this gap.

Informant advised that a question was asked of IRVING POTASH as to what had happened to the Party's State of the Union message. JACK STACHEL replied that it had been decided to wait until President KENNEDY's full program was made known. Continuing, STACHEL remarked that the Party should give thought as to whether it would mobilize its forces in the community in order to carry out its policies.

ARNOLD JOHNSON suggested that perhaps an organizational letter should be prepared every two weeks in an outline form and this should be sent to the districts. Informant advised that no decision was reached regarding this proposal but it was regarded by several as being a good idea.

BEN DAVIS

DAVIS said that he wanted to pose the question as to what the image of the Party was to the Negro people, as well as whether or not "our Party" is a militant fighting organization with respect to the struggle for Negro rights.

DAVIS said he based this on several things, one being a letter he had received from [redacted] (phonetic), which he said was in response to a personal letter he had sent to her. DAVIS said he posed this question because it is a serious problem and because he personally feels that the concept of the Communist Party in the Negro community today is not that of a fighting militant Party.

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DAVIS also remarked that they should write directly to KRCH (Phonetic) (ANTON KRCHMAREK) and ask him the status of the activities of the Party around the [redacted] case. DAVIS felt that Communists should know that this case figures more than ordinarily in the defeat of the South. He said the case [redacted] was featured in the Cleveland press about a year ago. DAVIS noted that the person who led the struggle in the Negro community against the extradition of [redacted] ... was a Republican and one who has now been appointed as the first Negro in the Governor's State Cabinet in Ohio.

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Continuing, DAVIS proposed that the Party should put out a pamphlet on the question of peaceful co-existence. He said that this pamphlet should go into the whole question of the relationship of the national movement of the Negro people in the struggle for peace.

WILLIAM ALBERTSON

ALBERTSON asked if there was any reason why the Citizens Committee could not concern itself with the [redacted] case in an active way.

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BEN DAVIS in reply to ALBERTSON felt that the Citizens Committee should interest itself deeply in the [redacted] case. Informant advised that further discussion was had regarding the proposals advanced by BEN DAVIS and it appeared that these proposals were to be tabled until a later date, it being noted that GUS HALL was not present.

PHIL BART

BART felt that some sort of public statement regarding the President's tax policy should be made by the Party and receive as widespread publicity as possible. It was indicated that this statement possibly would be published in pamphlet form. It was further decided that with regard to the State of the Union message being prepared by the Party, a draft should be prepared by ARNOLD (JOHNSON), PAT (WILLIAM L. PATTERSON) and PHIL (BART).

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IRVING POTASH

POTASH suggested that a movement should be developed within the trade unions against the Mc Carran Act. He said that every section of the Party should work toward getting the Mc Carran Act repealed. He indicated that work on this should be started within the next three months or so.

Meeting Adjourned.

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C1955)

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17th AD CLUB,  
KINGS COUNTY COMMUNIST PARTY  
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Identity of Source

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Description of info

Meeting of 17th  
AD Club, KCCP  
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- 1 - 100-125850 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-134156 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-13528 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-141221 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-110783 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-121832 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 97-109 (Publishers New Press) (414)
- 1 - 100-139449 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-134412 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - 100-27452 (ROBERT THOMPSON) (414)

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1 - 100-94584 [redacted] (422)  
1 - 100-144388 (Unity Democratic Club) (41)

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January 24, 1963

On Wednesday evening, January 23, 1963, a meeting of the 17th A.D. Club, Kings County Communist Party (CP), was held at the home of [redacted]

Present were: [redacted]

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[redacted] gave a report on the Press stating that "The Worker" has lost 300 readers in the Metropolitan area of New York City in the last year. He said that in order for "The Worker" to become a daily paper, it needs 30,000 subscribers which it does not have.

[redacted] stated that progressive labor is <sup>aiding</sup> the Kentucky miners but that the Party is doing nothing to aid these miners.

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[redacted] stated that the Party is not as militant as it once was.

All those present agreed that they did not know what the ideology of the Party is concerning the Negro people and other issues.

The next meeting of the 17th A.D. Club is scheduled for Wednesday evening, February 6, 1963, at the home of [redacted]

[redacted] BOB THOMPSON is scheduled to speak on the ideology of the Party.

During the meeting, [redacted] said someone should contact [redacted] about her attendance at meetings. [redacted] replied that after the Primaries a year ago, [redacted] told [redacted] that he had heard she had given a report at a CP meeting. According to [redacted] subsequently formed a group within the Unity Democratic Club and acts as its Chairwoman. [redacted] said this group also meets on Wednesday nights in conflict with 17th A.D. Club meetings. [redacted] said that he has attempted to contact [redacted] but that she is never at home. He stated that [redacted] could be confused as when she told "this story", she had left out a lot of the facts.

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No further explanation was given.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-144263)

DATE: 2/19/63

FROM : SA [redacted] (422)

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SUBJECT: GREATER NEW YORK PRESS CLUB  
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Identity of Source [redacted]

Description of info

Workers Readers Conference,  
1/22/63, at Adelphi Hall,  
74 5th Ave., N.Y.C.

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Date Received

1/24/63

Original Located [redacted]

Instant report could not be authenticated by informant on 2/7/63 inasmuch as corrections had to be made to instant report. Corrections were made on 2/11/63 and report was signed on 2/14/63.

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- 1 - New York [redacted] (INV.) (422)
- 1 - New York 100-26018 (LOUIS WEINSTOCK) (414)
- 1 - New York 100-23825 (BENJAMIN J. DAVIS) (414)
- 1 - New York 100-133660 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York 100-136577 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York 100-17924 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York 100-55393 [redacted] (424)

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1 - New York 100-136686	[REDACTED]	(422)
1 - New York 100-139622	[REDACTED]	(424)
1 - New York 100-95583	(CP USA LINE)	(414)
1 - New York 100-145872	(CP USA NYD PUBLIC APPEARANCES OF PARTY LEADERS)	(414)
1 - New York 100-128819	(CP USA NYD INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS)	(414)

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On Tuesday evening, January 22, 1963, the monthly Workers Readers Conference was held at Adelphi Hall, Room 9-C, 74 5th Avenue, New York, New York, from 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM.

There were approximately 100 people in attendance including the following: LOUIS WEINSTOCK - Chairman; BENJAMIN J. DAVIS - Speaker; [REDACTED]



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LOUIS WEINSTOCK stated that at 2:00 PM on last Tuesday he was served with an affidavit by a United States Marshal which advised him that the Subversive Activities Control Board had reviewed his case and had found that he had attended Communist Party (CP) meetings on a national level. WEINSTOCK said that the Subversive Activities Control Board had given him 60 days to register but that "many 60 days would pass" before he registers .

WEINSTOCK introduced BENJAMIN J. DAVIS with the statement, "Our speaker tonight is a man who needs no introduction, Ben Davis". He made no mention of any CP affiliation on the part of DAVIS.

BENJAMIN J. DAVIS stated that the American CP follows the ideology of Marxist - Leninism. He said that while the American CP does not involve itself in the affairs of other CPs, it had to condemn China in its dispute with India. He stated that the actions of China could have resulted in a thermo-nuclear war.

DAVIS stated that "We of the American Communist Party" have been fighting for the admission of China to the United Nations because China should be in the United Nations.



He further said that under the Administrations of TRUMAN, EISENHOWER and now the KENNEDY Administration, the American CP has suffered the inequities of "Mc Carranism".

DAVIS stated that during the Cuban Affair, President KENNEDY who is the "biggest Imperialist of all" was surrounded by other Imperialists who were for an invasion rather than a blockade. He said that since invasion of Cuba would have brought on a thermo-nuclear war he was glad a KENNEDY, rather than a GOLDWATER, was in the White House.

According to DAVIS, President KENNEDY stated that if war broke out over Cuba, he would retaliate not against Cuba but against the Soviet Union. DAVIS said that the reason the President would retaliate against the Soviet Union is that he knows the Soviet Union is the only country who is interested in the working - class people.

DAVIS spoke from 7:00 PM to 8:15 PM and a number of people were heard to complain of the length of his speech in that they had forgotten much of the speech.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C1920) (424)

Date: 2/20/63

FROM : SA [redacted] (424)

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SUBJECT: WEST SIDE CP SECTION  
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- 1 - New York [redacted] (Inv.) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-122352) (SHERRING MILLS) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-16294) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-71105) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-91454) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-57965) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-100351) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-10113) [redacted] (414)
- 1 - New York (100-26603-C42) (NY COUNTY CP)
- 1 - New York (100-128823) (DOMESTIC ADM MATTERS) ( )
- 1 - New York (100-129629) (BILL ALBERTSON) (414)
- 1 - New York (100-26603-C45) (NASSAU COUNTY CP) (41)
- 1 - New York (100-26603-C204) (CLUB #3) 424
- 1 - New York (100- ) (CLUB #6) 424
- 1 - New York (100-70007) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-26603-C1017) (CHELSEA AREA CLUB) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-26603-C325) (CLUB #1) (421)
- 1 - New York (100- ) (CLUB #5) 424
- 1 - New York (100-26603- ) (CLUB #4) ( )
- 1 - New York (100-26603-C2004) (CLUB #2) 424
- 1 - New York (97-169) (PUBLISHERS NEW PRESS) (414)
- 1 - New York (100-18065) (JACK STACHEL) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-84994) (GUS HALL) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-16021) (ARNOLD JOHNSON) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-95583) (LINE) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-23825) (BEN DAVIS) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-56579) (PHIL BART) (422)
- 1 - New York (100-50842) (OAKLEY JOHNSON) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-148803) (LA NUEVA VOZ) (413)
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Identity of Source: [redacted]

Description of info: West Side CP Area Meeting  
2/12/63.

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Date Received: 2/18/63

Original located: [redacted]

On 2/19/63, a photo of [redacted] (100-91454-1A5)  
was exhibited to informant. Informant advised person depicted  
in photo is identical to [redacted] mentioned in report of  
West Side CP Area meeting 2/12/63.

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A copy of informant's report follows:

Feb. 13, 1963  
New York, N.Y.

There was an area meeting of the West Side CP Sect. at the home of SHERRING MILLS 65 W. 90 St NYC Tuesday Feb. 12, 1963. Among those observed present were [redacted] SHERRING MILLS, [redacted] white female possibly of Irish extraction weight about 130 lbs. 5'1" [redacted] married probably [redacted]

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SHERRING stated that there were 6 Clubs in the area. The area will be reorganized again sections as areas proved ineffectual. She stated that [redacted] had to resign as area coordinator and that [redacted] would take over. Also that [redacted] would be the new head of N.Y. county coming from Nassau county to replace BILL ALBERTSON. As far as it can be ascertained [redacted] of Club #3 [redacted] of Club #6 [redacted] of the Chelsea area, [redacted] of Club #1 SHERRING of Club #5 [redacted] known also as [redacted] as of Club #4. SHERRING said that Club #2 was being disbanded as there were too few people who could work. The main discussion was on the Worker Drive. SHERRING stated that the Moscow Art Puppets would probably be at the Worker affair March 8, 1963 at Carnegie Hall. She urged all clubs to try & sell tickets in advance as the management only allows a stated number of tickets to be sold at the office. The area total is \$833.

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She stated she attended all week end conference without saying where, the reports she stated given were as follows:

JACK STACHEL on GUS HALLS Report  
ARNOLD JOHNSON on Peace  
Chicago Church Conference  
BEN DAVIS Legislative Report  
PHIL BART Organizational Report

There will be a county meeting Thursday Feb. 14, 1963 but did not state where.

A petition will be circulated in the near future for \$1.50 minimum

[redacted] stated there would be an anniversary affair in her honor held in a restaurant on The E. 21 no name no definite address to honor her seventieth anniversary to raise funds for the Worker. She also seemed to be in charge of the Worker for the entire area.

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[redacted] suggested a party be given to honor JACK STACHEL and that funds raised be applied to the Worker drive. A party for OAKLEY JOHNSON was also mentioned. There was also a discussion of the Spanish Language paper "La Nueva Voz" [redacted] stated the new edition would come out Feb. 15 and the paper must be helped.

[redacted] pointed out that he believed the organizers had more influence among the Porto Rican people, that previous meetings were sparsely attended. That the 3 independent organization for Porto Rico were numerically very small. That the last time he had gone out to sell the paper when 15 were sold only 2 were sold and the Latin people were not interested. SHERRING said the next area meeting would either be held in her home 65 W. 90 St NYC or be held at the home of [redacted] [redacted] probably Feb. 26, 1963. The meeting ended at 11:00 P.M.

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There will be a special supplement of the Worker coming out on the Chinese question. The Clubs ordered 25 papers for each Club.

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2/27/63

SAC, NEW YORK (100-3620)

AMERICAN COMMERCE FOR PROTECTION OF FOREIGN BORN  
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Identity of Source

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Panel Source, who has  
furnished reliable information  
in the past. General.

Description of info

ACFE sponsored affair,  
2/24/63.

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Date Received

2/25/63

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February 25, 1963  
New York, N.Y.

The American Committee for Protection of Foreign  
Born Sponsored a Concert on Feb. 24, 1963 at 110 West 48 Street  
New York City, from 2 to 5 P.M. There were about 600 people  
present.

The entertainment consisted of regional dances &  
Folklore.

There were various speakers who spoke about injustices  
done to the foreign born. There were four different speakers,  
all women, one of whom was [REDACTED]

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There was a collection during this concert and it  
was announced that \$1,000 had been collected.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2003) (424)

Date: 2/20/63

FROM : SA [redacted] (424)

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SUBJECT: CLUB #1  
WEST SIDE CP SECTION

Identity of Source: [redacted]

Description of info: Club #1 CP meeting 2/11/63.

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Date Received: 2/18/63

Original located: [redacted]

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- 1 - New York [redacted] (Inv.) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-57965) [redacted] (424)
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- 1 - New York (100-145960) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-114924) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-128861) (FUNDS) (414)
- 1 - New York (100-26603-C42) (NY COUNTY CP) (424)
- 1 - New York (97-169) (PUBLISHERS NEW PRESS) (414)
- 1 - New York (100-26603-C1920) (WESTSIDE CP SECTION) (424)
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New York, N.Y.  
Feb. 13, 1963

There was a meeting of West side Club #1 C.P. at the home of [redacted] Monday Feb. 11, 1963. Due to illnesses of the members there were only [redacted] present. [redacted]

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[redacted] dues, sustaining funds & particularly pledges for the Worker Drive. She stressed that 1/3 of pledges of the Worker drive must be in. She also sold tickets for the anniversary affair of the Worker to be held March 8 1963 Friday evening at Carnegie Hall. She also asked LOU to attend an area meeting to be held Tuesday Feb. 12, 1963 at the home of SHERRING MILLS 65 W. 90 St N.Y.C. Due to the short attendance the meeting continued on a discussion of China & the Soviet Union problems with particular stress on the [redacted] speech which was denounced by Peking Review. The meeting ended at 10:30 PM. It was decided to postpone further meetings until March 4, 1963 Monday evening at the home of [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-144263)  
FROM : SA [redacted] (424)  
SUBJECT: COMINFIL, GREATER NEW YORK  
PRESS CLUB  
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DATE: 3/4/63

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Identity of Source [redacted]

Description of info

Workers Readers  
Conference, 2/26/63

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Date Received

2/27/62

Original where located [redacted]

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- 1 - 100-139283 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-26018 (LOU WEINSTOCK) (415)
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New York City

February 26, 1963

A Workers Readers Conference, sponsored by Greater New York Press Committee was held on February 26, 1963 at Adelphi Hall, 75 Fifth Ave., New York City, Room 11 C. About 40 people were present and those known were:



LOUIS WEINSTOCK (Chairman)



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LOUIS WEINSTOCK chaired this meeting saying to get news stands to carry The Worker and get subs anything as long as the Worker gets circulated.

A tape from German Democratic Republic was played. Much static was heard and it was bi-lingual.

WEINSTOCK stated further that people and newsdealers are continually being harassed by the FBI including stores

who advertise in The Worker. WEINSTOCK stated also that the reason for the "wall" in Berlin is to keep the west from looting the east, also it had averted a 3rd World War, also the west part of Berlin is full of prostitutes and socialist Germany has no need of prostitutes.

Announcements were made such as the Worker anniversary at Carnegie Hall and the birthday party for [redacted] This meeting was called for 6:30 PM and lasted until 7:30 P.M.

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[redacted] left early because they had to attend a "Club" meeting.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C41)

DATE: 3/14/63

FROM : SA [redacted] (423)

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SUBJECT: QUEENS COUNTY COMMUNIST PARTY  
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Identity of Source

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Description of info

Meeting organized by Queens County CP, held 2/6/63 at residence of [redacted]

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Date Received

2/21/63

Original where located

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A copy of informant's report follows:

- 1 - [redacted] (Inv) (423)
- 1 - 100-13483 (BETTY GANNETT) (415) (p.2, 3)
- 1 - 100-13527 [redacted] (423) p.2
- 1 - 100-72964 [redacted] (423) p.2
- 1 - 100-56820 [redacted] p.2
- 1 - 100-121261 [redacted] (423) p.2
- 1 - 100-64505 [redacted] 421) p.2
- 1 - 100-90488 [redacted] (423) p.2
- 1 - 100-101473 [redacted] 423) p.2
- 1 - 100-95636 [redacted] (423) p.2
- 1 - 100-323 [redacted] (423) p.2
- 1 - 100-118811 [redacted] (423) p.2, 4
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1 - 100-55242 (OSCAR VAGO) (423)  
1 - 100- (Unsub female, W, light hair attended meeting  
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1 - 100- (Unsub female, W, dark hair, attended meeting  
of Queens County CP 2/6/63 per [redacted] (423)  
1 - 100-14352 [redacted] (423)p.2  
1 - 100-128821 (CP, USA Factionalism) (414)  
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Feb 8, 63

This was the first of two sessions (seminar) on the ideological struggle between the Soviet Union and China, organized by the Queens County of the Communist Party. Speaker was BETTY GANNET and those participating were:

[redacted]  
[redacted] OSCAR (elderly man of about 60), two unidentified women and [redacted]

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BETTY GANNET explained that the purpose of the seminars was to have complete clarity, especially to have leaders such as this group, well acquainted with the ideological struggle....you have to be ready to answer many of these differences...whatever we do we must discuss this matter in a comradely way....we must study....I have done a lot of research for the National Committee on this question....this is nothing new to us. If we haven't spoken about before it was only because we were hoping that the differences could have been settled. But the Chinese comrades have gone from bad to worst...they are becoming very obstinate....their left sectarianism is becoming more dangerous every day.... GANNET read most of the time from prepared notes....She quoted extensively from the Peking Review, accusing those articles as definite left sectarianism...and social democratic trend, at the same time. Quoted from KRUSCIOVS speech of 1961 in reference to the "new epoch"...the Chinese comrade just close their eyes when we speak of the new epoch...how could they not realize the new realignment in world politics? How could they miss that 14 new socialist countries have come into existence since World War II? The Soviet Union is not in the same position as she was until before World War II...the Socialist camp is big and strong.... Among other things she said: we are accused of being soft to imperialism....that the Italian Party has gone revisionist.... permit me comrades, these are stupid accusations. Anybody that knows anything about the Italian, the French or our



Party, could never make such accusations....and what about the Soviet Union? Has the Soviet Union stopped fighting imperialism?....have we stopped our class struggle?....they don't see that today is Socialism who has become the basic factor in the social development of society....have we stopped fighting American imperialism? We understand very well why imperialism has not gone to war.....it is because they know what will happen to them.... but we understand another thing...we are convinced that because of the new relation of forces, socialism can be won in many other countries and eventually in the world..... Could we think of liberating colonies, twenty, thirty, forty years ago without revolutions? No! But today this is happening because of the new epoch, because of the Soviet Union, of the existence of 14 new socialist countries, of the strenght of communism all over the world.

We know very well that imperialism remains aggressive, bellicose. What has changed is not the basic principle of imperialism, but the new epoch has changed its approach; it is compelled to reckon with the new forces.... they know they cannot act with impunity as they did in the past.

GANNET urged those present to read the classics, Lenin, yes Stalin, but keep in mind the changing situation. We cannot remain Marxists if we become dogmatic, static in our thinking, if we don't see the new relations of forces.

We can, she added, lick imperialism, in an economic, scientific competition. Co-existence does not mean, she said forgetting our class struggle. KRUSCIOV has said this again and again, and we have said the same.....supporting KENNEDY on certain issues does not mean supporting KENNEDYs philosophy.....fighting for peace does not mean that we are afraid....we don't want to build socialism on ashes.

She concluded that our Chinese comrades have been reckless in many ways....look at India (our party there is practically destroyed.....look at Latin America, lot of work there (united Front movement which took years to build, has been demolished).

She promised to say a few things about Cuba next week.

There was some discussion, all agreeing with the position of the Party in criticizing the Chinese..... all agreed that it is their responsibility as leaders in the county, and other organizations, to be well equipped with the facts.

The sessions ended at 11:25 p.m. and the next seminar will be held next Weds, here again. This session took place Wed Feb 6, 1963 at the [redacted] home on [redacted]

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MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2003) ( ) Date: 3/19/63

FROM : SA [redacted] (424)

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SUBJECT: CLUB #1  
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- 1 - New York [redacted] (Inv.) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-26603-C42) (NY COUNTY CP) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-26603-C1920) (WESTSIDE CP SECTION) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-57965) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-7976) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-88464) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-133865) [redacted] 424
- 1 - New York (100-93533) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-62607) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-114924) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-102025) (AL NAIDICH) (421)
- 1 - New York (100-128314) (CP USA NYD FUNDS) (414)
- 1 - New York (97-169) (PUBLISHERS NEW PRESS) (41)
- 1 - New York (100-121343) (FANIA GERSHAM) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-85964) (JOHN CUTCH) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-128817) (MEMBERSHIP) (414)
- 1 - New York (100-128814) (ORGANIZATION) (414)
- 1 - New York (100-132430) (INDUSTRIAL DIV.) (423)
- 1 - New York (100-95583) (LINE) (414)
- 1 - New York (100-133660) [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York (100-148803) (LA NUEVA VOZ) (413)
- 1 - New York (105-48933) [redacted] 31
- 1 - New York (100-123538) [redacted] (41)
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Identity of Source:

Description of info:

Meeting of West Side Club #1  
CP 3/4/63.

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Date Received:

3/7/63

Original located:

On 3/11/63, a photo of AL NAIDICH (100-102025) was exhibited to informant. Informant advised person depicted in photo is identical to AL LNU mentioned in report.

A copy of informant's report follows:

Mar. 5, 1963  
New York, N.Y.

There was a meeting of the West Side Club #1 C.P. at the home of [redacted] Monday Mar 4, 1963 at 8:30 P M. Among those observed present were [redacted]

[redacted] the latter two new transfers, [redacted] AL LNU White male about 65-70 yrs of age weight about 135-140. Russian-Jewish descent born probably in Russia, says he reads Russian, creased face with wrinkles, very little white hair, wears horn-rimmed spectacles, speaks English well with slight accent may have held a post with Worker or active in the newspaper. Now lives on Central Park W.

[redacted] opened the meeting with the collection of dues, Worker Drive funds & sustaining funds. Also she collected money for tickets for the Worker Anniversary to be held at Carnegie Hall Friday March 8, 1963. FANYA GRESHAM & JOHN CUTCH have been believed transferred to industrial units specifically food. [redacted] was asked to pay some sustaining fund as he was in arrears.

There was a further discussion on Chinese-Russian relations. All agreed that Russia was right. There was a discussion of the meaning of the word revisionism. [redacted] maintained a change in tactics did not actually mean revisionism.

In a discussion of furthering Worker sales, it was hoped to get a list of names from organizations send a sample copy and then follow up with personal visit. This was only a suggestion. AL mentioned in the discussion that [redacted] was county press director.

[redacted] announced he had tickets for a benefit for the Nueva Voz Sunday March 24 at 2:30 PM at Fraternal Clubhouse 115 W. 48 St N.Y.C. It will be a cultural afternoon to help raise funds for the paper. He also said he had tickets for a dinner dance price \$3 to be held by [redacted] in the Bronx March 16, 1963. It was hoped to have a forum inviting Porto

Ricans to help the Nueva Voz. LOU said that the Porto Ricans in the Nueva Voz couldn't attract Porto Ricans how could they North Americans. It was decided to delegate [ ] to meet [ ] for suggestions also to contact various hotels for a room rental. There will be a county conference March 30 & March 31 Saturday & Sunday all day on political work & work in mass organizations. [ ] will go Saturday. [ ] will go Sunday. The next discussion will be on Labor & Politics. The next meeting will be held at the home of [ ] [ ] March 18, 1963. The meeting ended at 11:00 PM\_

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (97-169)

DATE: 3/21/63

FROM : SA [redacted] (424)

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SUBJECT: PUBLISHERS NEW PRESS  
IS-C

Identity of Source [redacted]

Description of info "The Worker" Anniversary  
Celebration meeting 3/8/63.

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Date Received 3/11/63

Original Located [redacted]

On 3/11/63 a photo of [redacted] (100-117708) was  
exhibited to [redacted] Informant advised person depicted  
in photo is identical to [redacted] mentioned in report.

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- 1 - New York [redacted] (INV.) (424)
- 1 - New York 100-58123 [redacted] (422)
- 1 - New York 100-67217 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York 100-13483 (BETTY GANNETT) (415)
- 1 - New York 100-145960 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York 100-61608 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York 100-135476 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - New York 100-122352 (SHERRING MILLS) (424)
- 1 - New York 100-133788 [redacted] (421)
- 1 - New York 100-1696 (ELIZ. G. FLYNN) (415)

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1 - New York 100-132462	[REDACTED]	(422)
1 - New York 100-90168	[REDACTED]	(422)
1 - New York 100-93665	[REDACTED]	(421)
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1 - New York 100-56244	[REDACTED]	(424)
1 - New York 100-125507	[REDACTED]	(424)
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1 - New York 100-148769	[REDACTED]	(422)
1 - New York 101-559	(JESUS COLON)	(414)
1 - New York 100-123538	[REDACTED]	415)
1 - New York 100-138863	[REDACTED]	(413)
1 - New York 100-72757	[REDACTED]	422)
1 - New York 100-79937	(HY WALLACH)	(421)
1 - New York 100-100373	[REDACTED]	(413)
1 - New York 100-26018	(LOUIS WEINSTOCK)	(415)
1 - New York 100-105078	(HY LUMER)	(415)
1 - New York 100-	(GEORGE MYERS)	( )
1 - New York 100-15828	[REDACTED]	(424)
1 - New York 100-117708	[REDACTED]	(414)
1 - New York 100-21444	[REDACTED]	(421)
1 - New York 100-144521	[REDACTED]	(424)
1 - New York 100-95583	(LINE)	(414)
1 - New York 100-128815	(NEGRO QUESTIONS)	(414)
1 - New York 100-128812	(POLITICAL ACTIVITY)	(414)

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March 9, 1963  
New York, N.Y.

There was an anniversary celebration meeting sponsored by the Worker on its 39th anniversary March 8, 1963 Friday night at Carnegie Hall 57 St & 7 Ave. Among those observed present were

	BETTY GANNETT
	SHERRING MILLS
ELIZABETH FLYNN	SARAH PLOTKIN,
[REDACTED]	
HY WALLACH,	LOUIS WEINSTOCK.
HY LUMER. GEORGE MYERS,	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	

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There was a short prologue of an account of Negro history in the U.S. Women's International Day was also celebrated. The chairman was LOUIS WEINSTOCK. ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN was the first speaker after which a collection was taken. HY LUMER said a few words of greeting. GEORGE MYERS was the next speaker on the coal strike. LOUIS WEINSTOCK announced there would be a picket line Saturday March 9, 1963 between 2 & 4 P.M. at the N.Y. office of Governor ROCKEFELLER against instituting tuition fees at N.Y. State Colleges. About 10:00 P.M. people were observed leaving. There were about 1500 persons present.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C168)

DATE: 3/15/63

FROM : SA [redacted] (424)

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SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, UNITED STATES  
OF AMERICA, NEW YORK DISTRICT  
LOWER EAST SIDE SECTION  
FORBES CLUB  
IS-C

Identity of Source

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Description of info

Meeting of the  
Forbes Club of the CP 2/18/63 b7D

Date Received

2/19/63

Original where located

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- 1 - [redacted] (Inv) (CIFU) (424)
- 1 - 100-26603-C166 (LES Section) (424)
- 1 - 100-26603-C42 (NY County CP) (424)
- 1 - 100-54555 [redacted] (424)p.2
- 1 - 100-66244 [redacted] (424)p.2,3
- 1 - 100-139283 [redacted] (424)p.2,3
- 1 - 100-68063 [redacted] (p.2,3)
- 1 - 100-29136 [redacted] (p.2,3)
- 1 - 100-93665 [redacted] (424)p.2,3,4
- 1 - 100-128314 (CP Funds) (414)
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- 1 - 100-95583 (CP Line) (414)

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1 - 100- [redacted] (424) p.2  
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1 - 100-43414 [redacted] (424) p.2  
1 - 100- [redacted] (424) p.2  
1 - 100-106126 [redacted] (424) p.2  
1 - 100-145679 [redacted] (424) p.2  
1 - 100- [redacted] (424) p.3  
1 - 100- [redacted] (ph) (424) p.3  
1 - 100-139647 (MOH) (41)  
1 - 100-138948 (ESTC)  
1 - 100-84275 (WILLIAM PATTERSON) (415) p.3  
1 - 97-169 (Publishers New Press) (424)  
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New York, New York  
February 19, 1963

A meeting of the Forbes Club of the Lower Manhattan Area CP was held on Monday evening February 18, 1963 at [redacted] New York City from 8:30 PM to 11 PM.

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Those who were present were:

1. [redacted] (who did not come in until 9:50 PM)
2. [redacted]
3. [redacted]
4. [redacted]
5. [redacted]
6. [redacted]

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The agenda was as follows:

1. Dues and literature
2. Organization
3. Reform Democratic Movement
4. Report
5. Announcements
6. Good and welfare

After the dues and literature was dispensed with, [redacted] opened a discussion on organization. She said that [redacted] will be contacted by [redacted] to determine his intentions with respect to returning to the club. [redacted] said she will visit [redacted] will visit [redacted] mentioned that [redacted] is afraid for security reasons. [redacted] said [redacted] will be continued as a member of the club and no action is contemplated against her at present. [redacted] is to be dropped because she sides with [redacted]

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[redacted] continued by saying that there will be an attempt to obtain some new members to the Forbes Club. [redacted] named a young male by the name of [redacted] who is in a trade union who will attend the next meeting. [redacted] also mentioned the

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possibility that his wife will join, too. [ ] then mentioned [ ] last name not given, who has spent 4 or 5 years in Europe as one who will come into the club. [ ] said she would check further on this.

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[ ] then said that a former CP member in the Bronx who now lives on [ ] will be visited as a possible Forbes Club member. She is not presently in any club.

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[ ] then spoke on the Reform Democrat Movement. He said everyone should join this organization and that he, himself, intends joining. He then asked [ ] what the East Side Tenants Council is doing in respect to the Reform Democratic Club on the Lower East Side. [ ] said that one person, who is presently sick, is a member of both organizations and works to keep each group aware of the other activities.

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[ ] then gave a report which summed up a speech by WILLIAM PATTERSON before the N.Y. District Committee (often referred to as the State Committee). This speech dealt with labor's efforts to organize the labor of the South which is largely unorganized. This effort is being directed mainly at the textile and furniture workers. There were questions concerning the UAW permitting some workers to put in overtime when others are being laid off; questions concerning unions with closed membership, father and son membership; the lack of apprenticeship programs; and the need for a setup similar to the old C.C. Camps.

It should be noted that [ ] was proposed as the new club chairman to replace [ ] who voluntarily stepped down because of her attendance at a school where she is studying a commercial course. This was put to a vote as [ ] said this is a formality. As a matter of record, the vote affirmed BOB's selection as the New Forbes Club organizer.

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[ ] was overheard telling [ ] that she, [ ] shows excellent potential for leadership, [ ] and [ ] agreed with [ ] statement.

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An announcement was made of the March 8th Worker celebration to be held in Carnegie Hall, NYC.

On good and welfare it was mentioned that [redacted]

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card of sympathy will be sent by the club. [redacted] at one time was a member of the Forbes Club but her present status is not known.

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The next Forbes Club meeting will be held. Monday March 4, 1963, at [redacted]

[redacted]

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On 3/5/63, [redacted] further identified [redacted] mentioned on page 2 of this report as possibly identical with [redacted] On the basis of a description furnished by [redacted] on 3/5/63 it is believed [redacted] [redacted] are identical. A photograph of [redacted] will be shown [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C168)

DATE: 3/15/63

FROM : SA [redacted] (424)

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SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, UNITED STATES  
OF AMERICA, NEW YORK DISTRICT  
LOWER EAST SIDE SECTION  
FORBES CLUB  
IS-C

Identity of Source [redacted]

Description of info

Forbes CP club meeting  
3/4/63

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Date Received

3/5/63

Original where located [redacted]

On the basis of the descriptive information concerning [redacted] as set forth herein, it is believed that this individual is identical with [redacted]. A photo of [redacted] will be displayed to the informant for positive identification.

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A copy of informant's report follows:

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- 1 - 100-93665 [redacted] (424)
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- 1 - 100-66244 [redacted] (424)
- 1 - 100-139283 [redacted] (424)
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1 - 100-139647 (MCOH) (414)  
1 - 100-273 (DORETTA TARMON) (424)  
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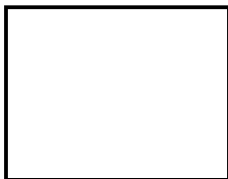


New York, New York  
March 5, 1963

A meeting of the Forbes Club of the Lower Manhattan Area CP was held on Monday evening, March 4, 1963 at [redacted] from 8:30 PM to 11:00 PM.

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Those who attended were:



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[redacted] is believed to be [redacted] and is described as [redacted] years of age (his own admission), 130 lbs. brown hair receding, glasses with half rims black on top, and is employed as an editor of commercial film. He resides on the Lower East Side around 6th or 7th Street.

The agenda consisted only of dues and literature. It was a very informal meeting due to the poor attendance.

After the discussion on dues and literature [redacted] opened a discussion on a forum tentatively planned for the near future to be held on the Lower East Side. No definite date or place has been set as yet. This forum will center around a discussion in the \$1.50 Minimum Wage [redacted] reported that he has lined-up several contacts in connection with this forum, but, as yet, no one from the CP. This forum will be held under the name "East Side Forum" or "Lower East Side Forum" with various organizations, unions, and publications sponsoring it. [redacted] was assigned the job of locating a place in which to hold the Forum. More definite information as concerns the date and place of this Forum will be forthcoming.

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Following this [redacted] gave a report on unemployed youth. He pointed out that there are about 70,000 unemployed youths at the present time in the NYC area. He elaborated on the various programs available, stating the apprenticeship program now in effect is insufficient. He stated that the programs hardly scratch the surface of the problem and are inadequate to cope with these existing conditions.

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A report on the Sustaining Fund revealed that there is slightly over \$300.00 in this fund which has a goal of \$1,000.00. The exact figures are not available at this time due to some unexplained difficulty.

[redacted] was overheard telling [redacted] that he recommended that she not attend the Marxist School, stating "we will teach you". [redacted] was not overheard to explain what he meant by "we". [redacted] proposed that [redacted] work with the CP Housing Commission, while maintaining her current status in mass organization work in the Tenant's Council. [redacted] was instructed by [redacted] to attend the Tenant Council meetings and periodically report on the political aspects of same.

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DORETTA TARMON [redacted] were both contacted relative to this meeting and stated they would attend. However neither one showed up nor did [redacted] who was to lead a discussion. [redacted] reported that she could not make it due to a sore throat.

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The March 8th Worker Celebration to be held in Carnegie Hall was mentioned.

The next Forbes Club meeting will be held on March 18th, 1963 at [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C41)

DATE: 3/19/63

FROM : SA [redacted] (423)

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SUBJECT: QUEENS COUNTY COMMUNIST PARTY  
IS-C

Identity of Source [redacted]

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Description of info

Meeting of Queens County  
CP on 2/13/63 at residence  
of [redacted]

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Date Received

2/21/63

Original Located [redacted]

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Feb. 14, 63

This was the second and concluding seminar of Queens County on the Marxist ideological struggle on 2/13/63. I say this, because, as the teacher put it (the teacher BETTY GANNET) we make a serious error, when we say "ideological struggle between China and the Soviet Union". The correct way to say it, is "the ideological struggle between the Chinese and most of the Marxist movement".

This session which started at 8:30 and ended at 11:20 was mainly devoted in showing how, or better, what it would have meant for the American Party, "had we followed the advise of the Chinese comrades. GANNET quoted extensively from GUS HALL, to prove that had we followed them, our Party would have been out of existence. How could we survive in this citadel of imperialism, had we taken a left sectarian approach? They are against our united front approach, against our struggle for disarmaments, testing; we would have to give up our position of the danger of the ultra-right. In 1962 (BETTY revealed) our Party did not publish the greetings to our Party until late and we did not print it in full, because their statement was strongly left sectarian. They branded KENNEDY, as an American Tojo, Mussolini & Hitler. Had we followed them, we would have become completely isolated from the people, would have become a sectarian group, yes a conspiratorial group....How wrong they were and still are....We could have never been able to function.

She criticized the Chinese with a petty bourgeois ideology, with a retreat into nationalism, with a continuation of the cult of personality..They thought and still think that their peasant question is different from the others, therefore giving stronger emphasis and importance to the peasantry in building socialism.

Although criticizing strongly the Chinese, she urged nevertheless not to use vituperation in discussing with them. She repeated that the struggle will be long...no end is in sight. Leaders come and go...but socialism remains, the fundamentals are here to stay....There is no doubt that somekind of international gathering will be held to find a solution to these differences, or at least lessen them.....

She informed that the "Worker" was coming out with a special supplement on the struggle. You comrades must read and read, don't ever become dogmatic. She suggested the World Marxist Review, Political Affairs, the statement by the 21 communist parties, etc. It is your responsibility to our Party, to our members, and to our country to have a clear understaing of Marxism as it applies to the new epoch.

On CASTRO she said! His speech before a gathering of Latin American women in Havana, was left sectarian. Although he did not say it openly, there was the Chinese approach, when he said "people make history only if you hurl-push the masses to revolution...only one path can free your country, our path... the time is here." There is too much emphasis on nationalism (she referred here about a report that J. NORTH gave on his recent return from Cuba, and how often CASTRO uses the phrase Patria o muerte (Fatherland or Death). She critizesid the way ESCALANTE was dealt with. It was somehow a rebuke to the old time bolsheviks of Cuba....You see the Chinese approach is: "You see what a few Cubans were able to do in such a short time, right before the nose of American imperialism....the same can be done in Venezuela, in Brazil, in Guatemala, etc....and CASTRO echos this approach somehow."

Well there are some justification for his approach.... there is, what comrade NORTH calls a "distinct Cuban psychology, completely different from other Latin Americans", becuase of the special aggressive and repressive role played by American imperialism in that country....but there is no reason to be too irresponsible, and I hope that comrade CASTRO will realize this.

The discussion followed closely the presentation made by GANNET and all agreed that the two sessions were of extreme importance and value to all.

thanked GANNET and the hosts and urged those present to use this wealth of material, to read more and more, and only in this way we will not only convince the rest of our members to the correct Marxist line vs the position of the Chinese comrades, but we will convince many..more Americans to join our Party.

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GANNET informed that an outline on this question is almost completed to be given to our party leaders in the counties.

Present at this session were: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] 2 unidentified women, [REDACTED]

Questions to explain what has changed in Yugoslav went unanswered, but GANNET, promised to give another session on this as soon as she completes her research on the matter.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603)

DATE: MAR 28 1963

FROM : SAC, ALBANY (100-2349)

SUBJECT: CP, USA  
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Re Albany airtel to Bureau 3/21/63.

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  - 1-New York 100-13483-BETTY GANNETT (416)
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  - 1-New York 100-WOMEN'S STRIKE FOR PEACE
  - 1-New York 100-CATHOLIC WORKER
  - 1-New York (100-UNSUB ESTES, white male, age 60, 5'7", medium build, white flowing hair, attended NYS CP-State Committee meeting March 16, 1963, per [redacted])

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1-New York 100-UNSUB, white, male 5'11", heavy build, occupation painter, attendant NYS CP State Committee meeting March 16, 1963 per [redacted]

1-New York 100-UNSUB, white, male, age 60, 6', husky build, Russian accent, attended NYS CP State Committee meeting March 16, 1963, per [redacted]

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1-New York 100-UNSUB, male, age 50, 5'5", muscular build, dark complexion, Cuban or Puerto Rican, attended NYS CP State Committee meeting March 16, 1963 per [redacted]

2-Buffalo 100-11900-MIROSLAW ZELMAN (RM)

1-Albany 100-2349

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1-Albany 100-9593-CP, EDUCATION

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[redacted] (reliable, protect identity) advised SA [redacted] and SA [redacted] on 3/20/63 of a New York State CP State Committee meeting held in Room 603 575 Sixth Avenue, New York City on March 16, 1963. Informant's written report filed in [redacted]

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The meeting was announced on the building bulletin board as "Manhattan League Meeting." It ran from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Approximately 60 individuals were in attendance at the morning session, and approximately 40 remained for the afternoon session. BILL ALBERTSON identified this meeting to the informant during the morning as a meeting of the State Committee. BILL ALBERTSON chaired the meeting. There were approximately ten women in attendance and approximately nine individuals that might be considered as Party Youth. Of this nine, three - a young couple and a young girl - were Negroes.

ARNOLD (a white male, 5'6", 55-60 years old, light complexion and light hair, later identified by photograph as ARNOLD JOHNSON,) gave the main report on peace. He stressed the need for united front action with all elements that worked for peace. ARNOLD thought that movements such as the Women's Strike for Peace and SANE were very good in a time when pressure was needed such as last October during the Cuban crisis, but that now, when things died down, they are not active. He mentioned that Senator KEATING however has never let up on his pressure for an invasion of Cuba. ARNOLD devoted considerable discussion to the peace elements in the Catholic Church, and stated that the Left must work with this group.

Prior to JOHNSON's talk, BILL ALBERTSON took the Albany delegate aside and explained that he was afraid that there might be some trouble over the line that ARNOLD was going to put forth. He told the delegate he would like to have him make a "rabble rousing pep talk" at the proper time after JOHNSON's talk. ALBERTSON explained that ARNOLD would stress the new rule of the Catholic Church and that there is much sentiment in the church to work for peace. The Pope at his recent Ecumenical Council has taken a soft line towards Socialism, and that this must be exploited in the Peace Movement.

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The left forces, although there might be some resentment against working with the Catholic Church, will have to get into this field in the work for peace. The main drive at present is also to expose the political forces in the U. S. - men like KEATING, NIXON and GOLDWATER who want an invasion of Cuba. Plans have to be made to expose Senator KEATING particularly. ARNOLD considers that it may be hard to get the left people to start working in a united front with people opposed to KEATING because these people will not have a pro-Russia line. At the same time their unhappiness about the Cuban invasion drive must be exploited. ALBERTSON stated that BETTY GANNETT will "steam things up" by her talk from the floor after the JOHNSON report and that the Albany delegate could then follow her.

[redacted] was the first speaker from the floor and he thought that ARNOLD had made a good talk and felt that the left had to work with the Catholic Church.

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A delegate from Buffalo (about 60 years old, heavy build, light complexion, identified by photograph as MIROSLAW ZELMAN) told the group that the left from Buffalo was still having trouble with the SCHEER elements left in the Party. He felt that his group could work with Catholic elements in the peace drive.

MIKE DAVIDOW spoke on the question of trying to get additional readers for "The Worker." He is the legislative and political reporter for this paper and is in Albany frequently.

A white, female, about 55 years old (photograph identified as BEATRICE WEISS) just returned from a visit to California, reported on the work of the Women's Strike for Peace. She thought this organization was becoming much stronger and that in this group a person could be a leftist and no one would red-bait. She agreed with ARNOLD that the left people could in the long run work with the Catholic Church the way they work with the WSP.

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A white male, 5'11", early 60's, heavy build, a painter by occupation, agreed that the Communists will have to work in all fields on the peace drive. He is going to head all arrangements for the May Day celebration and will take six weeks off from his employment in order to handle this responsibility.

The next speaker was a white male (60 years old, Russian in appearance, 6' tall husky build, thick accent) who commented on the need to work within the various nationality groups in the United Front Group.

A male who identified himself as the editor of a Spanish paper (photograph identification as [redacted] followed with comments on the necessity for working closely with the Catholic elements in the peace drive.

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A male (5'5", muscular build, age 50, dark complexion, a Cuban or Puerto Rican) spoke next in agreement with JOHNSON's position on the Catholic approach.

A man from the [redacted] (photograph identified as [redacted] spoke next talking about a [redacted]

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A white female named [redacted] (photograph identified as [redacted] spoke from the floor on the need to work in SANE and other peace groups.

BETTY GANNETT made a good pitch to implement the talk that ARNOLD made and said that now the left people would have to consider themselves as peace forces and not worry too much about the old Party line position.

The Albany delegate then spoke agreeing with JOHNSON's talk on the need for work in the peace movements. He stated that there was no pull in the peace fight because right now a real struggle was going on Upstate between Senator KEATING and Congressman STRATTON, who is being pushed into a stronger peace position as the time goes by.

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[redacted] (a photograph identification)  
also spoke on [redacted]

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JOHNSON then came back with additional comments stressing the need to get into the fight against KEATING.

[redacted] (photograph identification) was present but did not speak.

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There were a few remarks from the floor on the Chinese question, noting that the CP, USA, could not agree with the China stand.

It was agreed that the Party would meet in a month or so on "The Worker" problem.

ARNOLD asked the Albany delegate to be present in New York City the second week of April. This would be the next meeting of the State Committee and would be on April 13 or 14.

A comment was made by ALBERTSON that the Dorothy Day element - he was referring to the "Catholic Worker Group" - was a very small organization, but very effective.

BILL PATTERSON was running a literature table and accepting money. It held copies of "Political Affairs" and a pamphlet by GUS HALL.

An envelope marked "Capitol" - referring to the Albany - Schenectady CP groups which have now consolidated into the Capitol Group - was given to the Upstate delegate. In this envelope was a receipt for "Capitol" and a \$3.11 donation to "The Worker." This was the result of a contribution from [redacted]

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Also in the envelope was receipt #153 dated February 18, 1963, to "Capitol" for \$132.80. This was identified as \$46.80 for dues payments and \$86.00 for Sustaining Fund contributions. It further indicated that 32 dues payments grossed \$58.50, and \$12.30 of this was retained

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in the Capitol Group. 18 of these dues payments were for 1962 and 14 for 1963. The initials on the receipt appeared to be "R.H." Informant indicated ALBERTSON had been given this money when he attended a Capitol meeting upstate on February 15 and that he had carried this money back to New York with him.

A separate sheet of paper captioned "WORKER" February 1 - March 11 had a subheading "Upstate". It indicated

"Binghamton"	- \$10.00
Capitol	+ 3.11
Middleburg	- 5.00
Troy	- 13.00
Ithaca	- 500.00
Total	-\$531.11

A second sheet was captioned

Upstate Sustaining Fund as of March 14, 1963

Rochester	- \$19.20
Capitol	- 86.00
Totals	\$105.20.

A 14 page mimeographed publication captioned "Materials and Guide to the Problems of Unity in the World Communist Movement" issued by the Education Department, CP, USA, March 1, 1963, was also included for the educational discussion of the Capitol Group.

NEW YORK IS REQUESTED to include any pertinent data in its forthcoming quarterly report on the CP, USA. Albany will not report this material because the mere reporting would indicate that the Upstate Delegate is the Albany informant.

NEW YORK IS REQUESTED to furnish photographs of logical suspects for the UNSUBS to Albany for display to the Albany informant.

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New York, New York  
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On 2/21/63 a Nationalities Club meeting was held  
[redacted] residence [redacted] from 8:00 to 10:10 P. b6  
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Those in attendance were:

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The agenda consisted of a discussion on Co-existence  
between Russia and China. Also a discussion on Cuba.

[redacted] led off the discussion on Co-existence.  
She thought that co-existence with the Chinese should exist  
and there should be no falling out between China and Russia.  
[redacted] stated that although there are discrepancies she felt  
however that Russia was doing the right thing. A unanimous  
vote was taken that this co-existence between Russia and China  
should continue.

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A general discussion was then held concerning Cuba  
and the present conditions as they exist.

It was mentioned that a Spanish speaker should be  
obtained for Friday March 22, 1963 to speak at a Forum under  
the auspices of this club for the benefit of "The Worker".  
[redacted] said that this would be further talked about at  
the Executive Meeting.

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An announcement was made concerning the March 3th  
39th Anniversary of "The Worker" at Carnegie Hall and tickets  
were purchased.

The next meeting was announced for Friday March 15th  
at [redacted] house.

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[REDACTED] 45 West 95th St., NY 29

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April 11th, 1963

Report on a Class Held at the New York School for Marxist Studies

On Wednesday evening, April 10th, 1963, the first class in an announced series entitled, THE DEBATE IN THE WORLD MARXIST MOVEMENT, was held at 853 Broadway, New York City. The class met in Room 18 C at the above address, and was apparently under the auspices of the New York School for Marxist Studies.

People entering the classroom were registered at a small desk in the rear by a stocky man who appeared to be in his early thirties. Admission was \$1.25 on a one-time basis, \$8.00 for the entire course series. Registrants were asked their first name and occupation which were noted on a prefabricated form used as a receipt. Registrants were asked if they would like to be on "our mailing list." If the answer was affirmative, the person's full name and address were written on a section of the above described form cards. The section of the form card given to the registrant was inscribed: SCOPED DIVISION, Student's Admission Card.

By around 7:20 P.M., approximately 30 to 35 people had gathered and the speaker of the evening was introduced by the young man who had registered the students. Of those present, approximately 14 to 15 had grey or greying hair. The rest were younger, of varying ages, ranging down to a group of three girls, who appeared to be about 15 to 16 years of age.

The speaker was introduced as EMERY GARDNER. She was a lean woman, with completely white hair and a ruddy complexion, who appeared to be about 60 years of age. She wore a blue dress. She first discussed the course generally, stating that she would cover five sessions and that a Mr. WINSTON would be lecturer for two sessions.

The speaker sat at a desk, facing the students, and read from her notes, which were on legal-size yellow paper. She lectured for about an hour on the announced topic, The New World Order and Social Progress. Because of her style of delivery, and because of the general, but involved, nature of the topic, many of the students seemed to be bored, or to have difficulty in following her lecture.

The following general topics, among others, were among those discussed: the growth of socialism, the decline of capitalism in the various countries of the world because of the growth of socialism and the ending of colonialism in many countries of the world, the history of the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Internationals, the various conferences and exchanges held among the Communist parties of the world instead of the previous system of Internationals, and the debate within the American Communist Party from 1956 to 1958. Throughout the lecture, the point that the world is changing, and that both capitalism and socialism are changing was made several times.

After the lecture, a break of approximately 10 minutes was given. Students examined, and bought, literature from a display at the registration desk in the rear of the room, during this period. Some of these publications had been mentioned in the lecture.

After the break, a question and answer period was held, during which members of the audience asked the speaker questions. Some of these questions were about the material covered, others were about material to be covered in future sessions of the series.

The session was terminated about 9:15 P.M.

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[redacted] is under consideration for development as a PSI. He should be concealed and has furnished reliable information in the past.

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